

RESTAURANT REVIEW 36 THE SPORTS PAGE August 30, 2016

RESTAURANT REVIEW: The Sports Page Hits an RBI double for pub grub, until our second visit when it was a weak ground out. My wife, visiting Jean Whitney and I were going to the just opened Stackhouse where Miller's Crossing had been located. When we arrived at the Stackhouse on Olive the bar was open, but they were not serving food due to a power outage the night before. It turned out to be lucky for us as we headed to the Sports Page at the Northeast corner of Olive Blvd and Woods Mill Road behind the Korean drive through.



I went with the chicken strips (\$9.50) that comes with steak fries. Jean went with the steak sandwich at \$9.95 also arriving with steak fries. My wife had the Reuben \$9.95 that came with the house potato chips.



For \$9.50 the chicken strips were a disappointment. They had light breading, which I prefer, but there weren't many there and the ones that were had some grizzle. I probably would have been happy if they were \$4.50 and not \$9.50. My table mates did not like them at all. The ones that are hand rolled to order at Smitty's are much better.



The steak sandwich was very good with one exception. Jean thought it would come with some lettuce, tomato and onion on the side. It didn't. It came bare. After we ate the waitress mentioned it would have come with some toppings including grilled onions if we had asked. When she took the order she was aware we were newbies and did not offer to ask if we wanted any toppings.

Besides that one compliant, the steak sandwich was very good. It was tender, cooked properly and had great flavor. While the chicken strips had grizzle the steak sandwich did not. It was very good for a bar and grill steak sandwich. At \$9.95 it seemed to be a bargain. I would likely order this they next time I'm in the Sports Page.



The Reuben

The Reuben got the highest marks. My wife and Jean split it and the comments included that every bite was good and that it was toasted perfectly and came with no grease spots soaking through the bread.

The other high mark with the Reuben was that everyone loved the potato chips. The steak fries were average. They were properly cooked and served hot but they were heavy. The chips were tasty and light. We all would suggest that if your entrée comes with fries ask to substitute the chips.

Overall we would all go back. I'd even order the chicken stripes if they dramatically dropped the price. But the steak sandwich and the Rueben along with the chips were the big winners. For Chesterfield Bar and Grills "The Sports Page" is better than the Hangar on Long Road and not as good as Smitty's on Clayton Road.

OUR RETURN TRIP ON AUGUST 30, 2016 OVER A MONTH AFTER THE FIRST

VISIT: Here is what happened on a return visit. The Steak Sandwich order was met with a "Were out of steak sandwiches." This was not after a busy rush. This was on a Tuesday at noontime, when there were about a dozen people in there. The manager said, "We sold six on Monday it was crazy." Well if that is all you had on hand and could not replenish the supply by noon the next day that is pretty sad.

The orders switched to burgers and potato chips. A basket of chips came out before the burgers. There was nothing "chippie" about them They were not done and were still soaked in grease. When the manager or waitress stopped by and asked how things were I started folding the grease soaked chips like I was doing Japanese Origami and mentioning they chips were not much like any chip I knew. No one with the restaurant seemed to care and offer to get us a better order. We may as well have been drinking grease.

When the burgers arrived my cheeseburger was okay. My tablemate's hamburger was raw. The bright side is that there was a \$1 off the price of a burger if you ordered a beverage. We both had soft drinks and those were constantly refilled.

However after a second visit I can't recommend The Sports Page.