

Natural Joint Repair Without Pain Pills or Surgery!

My Story... Clint Branger, A Patient



Janna & Clint Branger

My name is Clint Branger, and I am 58 years old. I was born in Red Lodge and raised in Roscoe where I live today. I'm sharing this story as a way of giving back a little bit for what I got. I feel good about saying what has happened with my knee, as it has really changed my life. Perhaps my story can help others know about this amazing medical opportunity.

When I was a Junior in high school, I was pole vaulting and didn't have a spotter. I landed wrong and really messed up my knee. I had to have knee surgery at 18 years old. The doctors did a good job back then, and my knee recovered to function wonderfully for me for many years.

I grew up on the ranch and began bull-riding when I was 12. At 20 I started traveling the rodeo circuit full time. I sustained lots of injuries and really abused my knee a lot through my bull-riding years. I learned real quick when I got off a bull that if I didn't have a good spot I would just land on my knee—which was better than landing on my foot—but it really abused it. It was amazing what my body was able to endure all those years, but I never gave my knee a break, and it really caught up with me later in life.

A typical day on my ranch involves being on horseback for about 4 hours per day. We ride on some of the steepest country, and are on our horses

constantly as we move cattle. Doing that all day long wears you out, and you get tired.

In 2018 I was blessed to marry my wife Janna, and we now have the pleasure of running both my ranch in MT and her ranch in WY together. Her ranch requires us to be on horseback all day long, which really impacted my knee. Ever since I started those longer days of riding, I began noticing my knee starting to hurt quite a bit.

It started with an arthritic pain in my knee that was

a constant annoyance. I would push through the pain and live with it, but I didn't enjoy it. While working, my mind would be so focused on my work that I could endure the pain. But I would really feel it most when I was trying to relax and had time to think about it. When I would get up to walk, my knee would really hurt, and it was becoming a real problem. Arthritis pain is hard to explain, but when you are bone-on-bone on the inside of the knee, it *really* hurts.

The longer hours on horseback pushed me to the edge, as it was really impacting me, and I was ready to do anything to fix it. People said I might need a knee replacement. It seemed everyone around me was talking about getting knee replacements. That was all I knew to do in order to stop being in pain.

I was determined to do all I could to get it replaced, but being a type 1 diabetic, I was required to put off knee replacement surgery until I could get my blood sugar levels down in order to avoid infection. I successfully lowered my A1C and got myself lined up for surgery in the Fall of 2022.

Then I saw an ad on Instagram for the Joint Repair Clinic of MT and their natural alternatives to surgery. It caught my eye, and I thought I should look into the option for avoiding surgery. I talked with the doctor on the phone, and we went over my

x-rays and discussed a treatment program that would help re-cushion my joints and lubricate my knee to take away the pain. In my mind, I could relate that to putting hydraulic fluid in there, and it made sense to me as to how that could really help. I thought it was worth giving this a try before going through an irreversible replacement surgery. In the spring of 2022, I began my treatment program. Within a few days of the PRP treatment, I started to feel some noticeable results. It was just amazing to no longer feel the pain—it was really gone!

Ranch life requires me to keep pushing through. The work

has to get done. Before getting help from the Joint Repair Clinic of MT, depending on how much work I was doing, it would get to where it was really a lot of misery. The pain was impacting my ability to fully enjoy my life. Now I no longer suffer from the arthritic pain in my knee like I did before. I can once again enjoy the simple things I love, like spending time with my wife.

A short while ago, we had a really long day up in the mountains in the BigHorn Basin and on the way out, it was mostly downhill—I started to feel a little reminder of the pain in my knee, and I was concerned about what the next day was going to be like,

but when I got up the next day, there was no pain! It was a miracle—the pain is gone, and it has been such a blessing to be able to enjoy life without pain again.

Prior to the treatment, my arthritic knee hurt no matter what I was doing. Even when just sitting, eating or laying down to sleep. The pain was there all the time—it didn't have a day off!

After the treatment, I have no arthritic pain—it is incredible—it is truly gone!

I can enjoy life that much more now that I don't have the pain, and I am so thankful that I found the Joint Repair Clinic of MT and got their help. ■

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