

## PLATFORM STATEMENT

### AL CLEMENTS

I have been an active Board Member of the NSS/CDS serving as Property Manager for the past 3 years. During that time I have accomplished several things.

- Worked very closely with all the North Florida Dive Shops serving the cave community.
- Maintained up to date system reports.
- Was instrumental in having a revised waiver for the CDS which covers the NSS/CDS caves and functions.
- Collected waivers from the NSS/CDS cave sites and made sure that waivers were always available.
- Coordinated and or participated in property maintenance, clean ups, and improvements
- Was instrumental in keeping Little River open for cave divers during recent park construction and making sure that all dive shops had the combination to enter. This park was closed to all others.
- Represented the NSS/CDS in the construction of the new steps in Madison Blue , Martz NFSA Project.
- Instituted the International Cave Divers Web Page
- Worked with Steve Boyer on new steps project at Peacock 1.
- Inspected pull rope at Cow and saw to it that a necessary repair was made.
- Personally inspect cave conditions at Cow to either close it or allow diving.
- Coordinated the NSS/CDS efforts at DEMA (Orlando then Las Vegas) for the past 4 years. Arranged for material transport and booth personnel.
- Set up and maintained the NSS/CDS Booth for Spring Day in Manatee Springs and solicited volunteers for the same.
- Set up and maintained the NSS/CDS Booth for Megadive at Gennie Springs and solicited CDS Instructors for the same.
- I will be setting up and taking down the NSS/CDS Booth at Spring Appreciation Day in Gainesville during the month of March 2017. I also solicited our Conservation Chair and the NFSA to join in the activity which they will.
- I do talks at nursing homes in Gainesville Florida representing the NSS/CDS to promote education, conservation, and awareness.
- Assist the NSS/CDS Conservation Committee on getting grants and doing promotions.
- Past Chair of the 2017 International Cave Divers Conference.
- I was instrumental in rebranding from Workshop to International Cave Divers Conference.

- I was instrumental in replacing the depleted treasury from the School Sink Lawsuit in 2017.
- I am presently the Program Director of the CDS.
- Worked closely with Richard Black on the Winter Workshop in Mariana Florida. I will be present and help promote the NSS/CDS.
- Strive to foster good relationships with land owners, sponsors, and all parties interested in the NSS/CDS.

My mission is to make the NSS/CDS as good as it can be and to continue this work into the future.