## **SHACK ACCESS**

**Introduction.** With the completion of the new SCARS shack, members are encouraged to use the equipments within the shack. Consequently, the BOD has elected to establish the policies set forth below.

**Location**. SCARS' "shack" is located in the Activity Center, 1 Texas Drive.

**Who Can Use the Shack**. The shack is available for members and their guests (members must be present with the guest). All members are given the code to obtain entry. When operating you may use your own call sign, or that of the station (K5SCT) particularly if you are also using the logging software contained in Ham Radio Deluxe.

**Period Available.** Normal access hours are governed by the CA and currently are 8 am to 10 pm, M-F and 8 am to 7 pm Sat. and Sun.

**Required Training**. Before operating any equipment within the shack, you must receive training to ensure none of the equipment is damaged by misuse. You must be vetted before using the antenna patch panel, Packet Radio station, D-Star, and the Tuned Power Amplifier, plus any of the new HF rigs if you are not familiar with their operation. If you are unsure of operation, please do not use any equipment until you have been trained on that particular unit. Training is available upon request.

**Club Equipment.** There are three HF positions, one dedicated VHF Packet Position and one UHF (DSTAR included) positions. In addition, we have two (2) empty positions for members to use with their own rigs for testing and short time operation, each equipped with 12 VDC, grounding, direct access to antennas, and internet.

**Work Stations For Members.** We provide a work table (with internet, static shielding, grounding, soldering, a VGA monitor, external antenna patch and 12 VDC at that position. That position may be used for a reasonable time, so that all members can have access to the space.

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