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# Week-end cowboys vie lassoing steers at Felton's Chaparral Corral



## Moving 'em out

Guy Hacker, junior, moves the roping steers from the end of the arena down to the release chute.

The old hitching posts may have disappeared from downtown Felton, but that doesn't mean all the cowboys have gone from the scene.

Just take a ride to the Chaparral Corral, a rope's throw from the Felton Old Covered Bridge. (It's over a slight rise just south and west of the old span).

At the corral Guy Hacker senior and junior of Felton, plus some partners, are presently forming a team roping club. But roping of steers has actually been going on for a number of weeks on the week-ends, as the photos attest. These action shots were taken Sunday.

The new non-profit club is seeking members, according to Guy, junior. The fees will cover the cost of feeding the steers and keeping them in good repair, plus maintenance on the toping arena.

There is a \$10 per year membership fee, plus 25-cents per "loop". For non-members there is a \$2 per day arena charge plus the 25-cent loop fee. Prospective members may call 336-8153 after 6 p.m.

Presently the club has seven steers for roping, but will add to this number soon.



## Weekend cowboy in action





the action at the Chaparral Corral near the Old Covered Bridge in Felton on Sunday afternoons.

## VALLEY PRESS PHOTOS

### In pursuit

A couple of hardriding week-end cowpokes twirl their lariats and zero in on the scared-to-death steer. The man on the left will aim for the steer's head and the other man the animal's legs.



### On target

This cowboy drops his lariat over the galloping steer's head in great style.



### Heading out

Robert Mason of Gilroy releases the steer and the two men astride their horses take out after it.



### Lassoed

The progress of this steer is about to be halted as the cowboy, Marvin White of Santa Cruz, pulls back on his rope.