

Cool and confident Larry Bergquist, #888x on his red 250cc Bultaco PurSang, won the seventy-eight-mile Lost Coyotes M.C. Hare Scrambles last Sunday at California City against three hundred and twenty big bike riders.

The start was held up for thirty minutes because of the large entry and the latecomers (it seems everyone likes this area, as there are no rocks to speak of). At the drop of the banner, the combined Open and 250cc riders took off in the flat starting area, amid deep sand, lots of bushes, and many trails. There are a lot of dust, but it didn't bother Eddie Mulder who was in the lead at the smoke bomb on his 360 Montesa, with Mike Patrick, #7, just a hundred feet behind him. Bergquist was running about twentieth at the bomb.

Mulder didn't make it all the way around on the first loop, and Mike Patrick, who took over the lead, broke his clutch cable and had to shift without a clutch. Steve Kirk, #27 on a Triumph,

who was last week's winner, then pulled into first place. Bergquist was moving up all this time by pulling off the main trail about twenty feet to get out of the dust, and was just plain making it in the rough.

Spectacular Full-Bore Finish

The third loop was even worse, which made it a matter of who could go the fastest in the rough, and Bergquist didn't let anyone down; he got off about ten miles from the finish, but had time to fix his broken throttle and come into the finish for the win. His throttle was still

stuck full-on at the finish line, and he had to come in and lay it down right in the middle of all the spectators.

One minute later Steve Kirk, #27, came in to take second place and first Open Expert, followed by Mike Patrick on the Norton. Ron Fry, #6, pulled in 5th to take

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Larry Bergquist	250 Ex.	Bul
Steve Kirk	Op. Ex.	Tri
Mike Patrick	Op. Ex.	Nor
Darry Hirst	Op. Ex.	Tri
Ron Fry	500 Ex.	Hus
Steve Staats	500 Am.	Bul
Dusty Coppage	Op. Ex.	Tri
Ken Knudsen	Op. Ex.	Tri
Jim Camarel	Op. Ex.	Tri
Robert Bodine	250 Ex.	Hus
Doyle Fields	Op. Ex.	Tri
Jerry Perkins	Op. Ex.	Tri
Oliver Angel	500 Ex.	Tri
Randy Barak	500 Nov.	Gre
Wally Dempsey	Op. Nov.	Tri
Jim Beres	500 Am.	Bul
Bob Paxton	250 Am.	Yam
Bill Hutton	500 Ex.	Hus
David Brewer	Op. Am.	Tri

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