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## Raging fire destroys garage in Oak Hills

Martin Estacio, Daily Press

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San Bernardino County Fire Department personnel knock down a residential structure fire in Oak Hills. [Martin Estacio, for the Daily Press]

**OAK HILLS** — An intense fire fueled by a considerable amount of combustible material destroyed a residential garage here Friday evening.

The blaze, reported at 6:34 p.m., churned up a thick column of black smoke over the residence in the 13100 block of Mission St. Several small explosions could be heard.

On Tuesday, **San Bernardino County Fire** Department Battalion Chief Bill Mahan said he thought he was responding to a regular house fire until he looked into the distance.

“I saw some smoke when I was going over the bridge at Rancho (Road) and (Interstate) 15, and I thought, ‘Yeah, OK. We have a fire,’” Mahan said. “And then by the time I got to Rancho and Escondido (roads), it was really big. A lot of heavy black smoke.”

Mahan attributed the blaze’s intensity to the high “fire load” — the weight of combustible material — housed inside the garage. He noted there were “a lot of solvents, chemicals. (The owner) had propane tanks, some ammunition in there that made it hazardous overall.”

The fire, which started in a detached rear garage that doubled as a workshop, spread to a front garage area through a connected breezeway, quickly collapsing the roof. Firefighters were able to control it within 45 minutes, saving an adjoining house at the front of the property.

According to a neighbor, the owner restored old cars. The owner also called the garage his “shop” once firefighters arrived on scene.

No injuries were reported, and the cause of the fire remains under investigation.

<http://www.vvdailynews.com/news/20180731/raging-fire-destroys-garage-in-oak-hills>

## Motorcyclist injured in a collision Tuesday in Hesperia on Rancho Road

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A Motorcyclist was injured in a crash Tuesday. (Photo: Leanne N Chad)

**HESPERIA, Calif. (VVNG.com)** — A 62-year-old motorcycle rider was injured in a crash that involved a vehicle here Tuesday.

According to **San Bernardino County Fire** Spokesman Eric Sherwin, the call was reported at approximately 12:38 p.m., on Rancho Road just east of Mariposa Road.

San Bernardino County Sheriff's Deputies arrived on scene and confirmed a 2011 Toyota Camry and 2016 Harley Davidson motorcycle were involved in the collision.

The driver of the Camry remained on scene.

“The Camry was eastbound and stopped due to traffic conditions ahead of him. The motorcycle was behind the Camry and failed to stop. The motorcycle then rear-ended the Camry which caused the motorcycle to drive off the roadway causing the rider to be ejected,” Hesperia Sheriff's Media Relations Officer Edgar Moran told Victor Valley News.

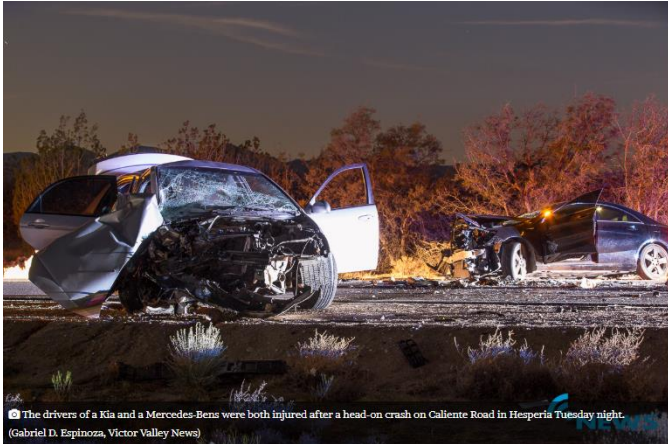
“The motorcycle and the rider came to rest on the south-east dirt shoulder easement. The motorcycle rider was transported by ground to a medical center down the hill for a leg injury,” Moran said.

<https://www.vvng.com/motorcyclist-injured-in-a-collision-tuesday-in-hesperia-on-rancho-road/>

## Man airlifted, woman injured after head-on crash in Hesperia Tuesday night

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The drivers of a Kia and a Mercedes-Benz were both injured after a head-on crash on Caliente Road in Hesperia Tuesday night. (Gabriel D. Espinoza, Victor Valley News)

The drivers of a Kia and a Mercedes-Benz were both injured after a head-on-crash on Caliente Road in Hesperia Tuesday night. (Gabriel D. Espinoza, Victor Valley News)

**HESPERIA, Calif. (VVNG.com)** — A man with serious injuries was airlifted following a head-on crash in Hesperia Tuesday night on Caliente Road, just south of Rancho Road.

The crash was reported at about 8:00 p.m. and involved a black Mercedes-Benz and a Kia sedan, both of which sustained major front-end damage as a result of the collision.

First responders requested the use of the **San Bernardino County's Fire** helicopter (H325) to transport the male driver of the silver sedan to an out-of-area trauma center. The female driver of the Mercedes was transported to a local hospital with less severe injuries.

During the course of the investigation, Hesperia Sheriff's Deputies located an opened bottle of liquor and a handgun inside a backpack that was in the silver sedan.

Deputies at the scene declined to provide comment on whether drugs or alcohol were suspected of being a contributing factor in the crash.

"There's no information I can provide at this time, there will be a press release issued tomorrow, on this incident" stated a Hesperia Sheriff's Deputy.

Please check back for updates.

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