



NEWS



News Headlines 04/17/2020

- BODY FOUND FOLLOWING EARLY MORNING JOSHUA TREE FIRE
- 3 killed in head-on crash on Palmdale Road in Phelan
- Air Rescue 6 hoists paraglider out of a steep canyon north of San Bernardino

BODY FOUND FOLLOWING EARLY MORNING JOSHUA TREE FIRE

Staff Writer, Z107.7 FM News

Posted: April 17, 2020

A body was found following a fire in Joshua Tree early this morning.

County Fire Battalion Chief Mike McClintock said just before midnight Thursday, firefighters were dispatched to a reported structure fire in the area of Sunset Road and Winters Road; witnesses said someone might possibly be inside the structure and an ambulance was requested.

A fire engine already in the area from a unrelated call arrived within four minutes and found a large bus-style RV well-involved in flames.

Crews initiated a fire attack, then transitioned inside to conduct a search for any potential victims.

During a search of the RV, crews found one deceased subject.

The Sheriff's Arson and Bomb unit and County Fire investigators responded.

The cause and origin of the fire is under investigation.

<http://z1077fm.com/body-found-following-early-morning-joshua-tree-fire/>

3 killed in head-on crash on Palmdale Road in Phelan

Gabriel D. Espinoza, Victor Valley News

Posted: April 16, 2020



Three people were killed in a head-on crash in Phelan. (Hugo C. Valdez, VVNG.com)

PHELAN, Calif. (VVNG.com) — Three people were killed in a head-on crash Thursday afternoon in Phelan.

The collision was reported on April 16th at 4:03 p.m. on Palmdale Road west of Sheep Creek Road and involved a black BMW and a green hatchback.

According to the California Highway Patrol incident logs, one of the vehicles erupted into flames and a Good Samaritan driving a water tanker stopped and helped extinguish the fire. Other people who stopped attempted to help with a fire extinguisher.

San Bernardino County Firefighters arrived within about 10 minutes and declared three people deceased upon arrival. There were no survivors in either vehicle.

A witness said he was traveling westbound and one of the involved vehicles was attempting to pass him into oncoming traffic when the collision occurred.

The witness told VVNG he only heard the crash but didn't see it.

“I can’t even remember the color of the car that was trying to pass me,” the witness told VVNG. “It happened so fast, and then you have this little hill that makes it even harder to see.”

Both east and westbound lanes of Palmdale Road were shut down between Sheep Creek and Amarillo Roads for about an hour while CHP officers investigated.

The cause of the crash was not immediately known and the names of the deceased have not been released.

<https://www.vvng.com/3-killed-in-head-on-crash-in-phelan-on-palmdale-road/>

Air Rescue 6 hoists paraglider out of a steep canyon north of San Bernardino

San Bernardino County Sheriff’s Department Press Release, Redlands Community News

Posted: April 16, 2020

The sheriff’s Air Rescue 6 rescued a paraglider who was seen parachuting into steep terrain south of Crestline Wednesday afternoon.

At 2:15 p.m. April 15, a motorist driving on Highway 18 near Old Waterman Canyon Road called 911 after witnessing the paraglider, 62-year-old Jai Khasla of Oak Hills, plunging toward Cloudland Truck Trail. The San Bernardino Police and **San Bernardino County Fire** Departments received the call and requested sheriff’s aviation to assist in locating the downed paraglider.

“Sheriff’s helicopter 40King4 responded to the area and located the victim in steep terrain covered by heavy brush,” said a San Bernardino County Sheriff’s Department press release. “Due to the terrain and brush, as well as the inability for ground units to access the victim’s location, the crew of 40King4 requested sheriff’s Air Rescue 6 for a hoist rescue.”

Air Rescue 6 hovered over Khalsa while the crew chief lowered a San Bernardino County fire medic down approximately 170 feet to Khalsa’s location on the hillside. The medic placed Khalsa in a rescue harness and the crew chief hoisted Khalsa up to the helicopter, followed by the medic.

Air Rescue 6 transported Khalsa to a waiting fire department ambulance on Highway 18.

40King4 CREW:

Pilot Sergeant Jon Anderson

Tactical Flight Officer Deputy Tommy Dickey

AIR RESCUE 6 CREW:

Pilot Sergeant Daniel Futscher

Crew Chief Deputy David Negron

San Bernardino County Fire Captain Jay Hausman

San Bernardino County Firefighter/Paramedic Jason Williams

https://www.redlandscommunitynews.com/news/public_safety/air-rescue-6-hoists-paraglider-out-of-a-steep-canyon-north-of-san-bernardino/article_7d6f2f6e-8031-11ea-947b-83e87da887f7.html