

Man arrested for DUI after Thursday crash

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LAKEPORT – Authorities have arrested a Lakeport man for a number of charges after he crashed his car Thursday evening.

California Highway Patrol Officer Josh Dye reported Friday that Antoine James Ellis, 39, crashed his 1987 Camaro at 6:54 p.m. Thursday on Soda Bay Road west of Stone Drive.

Dye said Ellis was intoxicated and driving eastbound on Soda Bay Road at a high rate of speed when the crash occurred.

Due to Ellis' high level of intoxication, he lost control of the car, which ran off the road and into an orchard, where it collided with a tree, Dye reported.

The impact of the collision, Dye added, split the Camaro in half.

Ellis was flown to Santa Rosa Memorial Hospital for treatment of his injuries, which were later found to be minor, said Dye.

CHP Officers Coddington and Wind to Santa Rosa, where they arrested Ellis on a felony parole violation and two misdemeanor charges of DUI and driving on a license that was suspended or revoked for reckless driving.

Ellis was booked into the Lake County Jail, where he remains on a no-bail hold for the parole violation.

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