

SoCal man held in fatal Ferrari wreck

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NEWPORT BEACH, Calif. - Police say they arrested the driver of a Porsche on a vehicular manslaughter charge in the fatal crash of a Ferrari in Southern California.

The driver of the 2004 Ferrari Modena was killed and his female passenger injured when the high-performance car struck the 1977 Porsche in Newport Beach early Wednesday.

Jeffrey Kirby, 51, Costa Mesa, was being held in lieu of \$1 million bail after witnesses reported his vehicle leaving the scene of the crash, the Orange County Register said.

The newspaper said the two cars were reportedly driving alongside one another at around 1 a.m. PDT when the Ferrari went off the road and slammed into a utility pole, splitting the vehicle into two pieces. It was not known if the two cars were racing.

Kirby and a 32-year-old woman were picked up a few blocks from the scene walking away from the damaged car. The woman was arrested on suspicion of being intoxicated and later released.

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