



RANCHO CUCAMONGA QUAKES

2019 GAME NOTES

Friday, August 16th at 7:05 PM
Game #122 (#54), Home Game #59 (#25)

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LoanMart Field
Rancho Cucamonga, CA



RHP Ryan Weiss (0-0, 5.73 ERA) vs. RHP Wills Montgomerie (8-2, 4.91 ERA)

Visalia Rawhide (76-43, 32-21) AT RANCHO CUCAMONGA QUAKES (71-50 / 30-23)



TODAY'S GAME: Today's series opener between the Quakes and the Visalia Rawhide (Arizona Diamondbacks affiliate) is set for a 7:05PM first pitch as it's Family RV \$1 Feast Night at LoanMart Field. Up next on the schedule for Rancho is a three-game series at The Diamond in Lake Elsinore, starting on Tuesday night against the second-place team in the South, the Storm.

VS VISALIA: This is the 11th of 13 total meetings between the Quakes and the Rawhide in 2019 and the fifth of seven games to be played at LoanMart Field. In the regular season last year, Rancho went 5-6 against the Rawhide, going 1-3 at LoanMart Field and 4-3 at Recreation Ballpark. However, in the 2018 Cal League Championship, the Quakes completed a three-game sweep, outscoring the Rawhide 23-8 for their second title in four years. The Quakes were swept by the Rawhide in Visalia just two weeks ago, which gives Visalia a 6-4 edge through the first ten games of the series.

GONE STREAKIN': The Quakes (71-50, 30-23) won their fourth-straight game on Thursday night, completing a sweep over the Modesto Nuts via an 11-2 victory in the series finale. The offense had some early-and-often magic, scoring nine runs in the first three frames. Dodgers' rehabber Chris Taylor and Jeren Kendall propelled the offensive output on Thursday. Taylor went 2-for-3, including a three-run bomb in a five-run bottom of the second. While Kendall (17th) launched his third homer in as many games en route to a 3-for-4 night at the plate with 4 RBI. The bullpen ate up eight innings last night due to Andre Jackson's shortened start, as Austin Hamilton (6-3) earned the win in five innings of one-run baseball in long relief. On the other side, Nuts' SP Steven Moyers (2-3) got shelled for the defeat, surrendering nine earned runs on 11 hits in four frames.

EYES GLUED ON THE SCOREBOARD: While it's certainly not as urgent for Rancho, with their first half South Division crown, the Quakes (30-23) have a two-game lead on the Lake Elsinore Storm (28-25) and a three-game cushion on the Lancaster JetHawks (27-26). They find themselves in a tight race in the South Division with just 17 games to play in the regular season. Should Rancho win the second half, the team with the next best overall mark in the South Division would qualify for the playoffs. Entering Friday, Lake Elsinore (63-58) has a two-game lead over Lancaster (61-60) for the second-best overall record. In the North Division, Visalia has a seven-game lead in the second half, as they, too, have already secured a playoff spot. As of today, the North Division's second-best record is very much in the air, with Stockton (56-65), San Jose (55-67) and Modesto (55-68) separated by just two games.

QUAKES FINDING DOG-DAYS GROOVE: The weather may be hot outside, but the Rancho bats are even hotter. During last night's game, Jeren Kendall nabbed his ninth, tenth and eleven hits in his last seven games to continue moving his batting average above .200. The Rancho lineup has exploded for 51 total hits in their last four games.

RUNS ON RUNS ON RUNS: In their four-game winning streak, Rancho has scored 31 runs while the opposition has scored just 16. The offensive onslaught comes at no better time, with the season coming down to the last couple of weeks and the Quakes in a heated race for first place in the South. Wednesday's 7-3 win was the only game in the streak where Rancho didn't score double-digits.

WILLS MONTGOMERIE: Right-hander Wills Montgomerie is set to toe the slab on Friday night, as he makes his 21st appearance and fifth start in 2019. In his last outing all the back on August 10th, versus Stockton, the right-hander tossed 2.1 scoreless innings. The Salisbury, CT native struck out five and did not walk a single Ports' hitter, as he took a no-decision in the shutout-loss to Stockton. The outing for Montgomerie was his first in over a two-plus week span, as on July 25th, he was placed on the Injured List, retroactive to July 23rd, with an undisclosed injury. This season has been a bit of a roller coaster for Montgomerie, due to the fact that after 10 appearances he had a 2.76 ERA, and now he sports a 4.91 ERA. Montgomerie's record is a mind-boggling 8-2, however. He was selected in the 6th round of the 2017 June Draft out of the University of Connecticut.

RYAN WEISS: The right-hander, out of Wright State, will take the mound for his third start for Visalia on Friday night, and the first time he will face the Quakes. Weiss has scuffled a bit so far for the Rawhide, recording a 5.73 ERA in 11 innings with seven earned runs on 12 hits. The right-hander's last appearance resulted in his second-straight no-decision, as Visalia topped Lancaster on August 11th by a final tally of 11-10. Weiss surrendered ten hits across five frames, with seven earned runs. Started the year in Kane County of the Midwest League, going 7-5 with a 3.44 ERA across 20 starts. The Diamondbacks drafted Weiss in the fourth round of the 2018 draft.

TAYLOR CONTINUES REHAB: Chris Taylor played five innings at shortstop last night and finished 2-for-3 with a three-run homer in his first ever game with the Quakes. On the shelf with a broken bone in his left wrist, Taylor is slated to start again tonight and DH for the Quakes in the two-spot in the lineup. All Dodgers' rehabbers are sponsored by San Manuel Casino.

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HOME, AND IT FEELS SO GOOD!: The Quakes are set to complete their six-game home stand versus the Visalia Rawhide. Don't miss out on all the fun on Saturday with National CORE Fireworks after the game on Saturday! Make sure to purchase tickets online at rcquakes.com or by calling (909) 481-5000.

2ND HALF STANDINGS

NORTH	W	L	PCT	GB
Visalia	32	21	.604	-
Modesto	25	28	.472	7
San Jose	25	28	.472	7
Stockton	23	30	.434	9
SOUTH	W	L	PCT	GB
RANCHO CUCAMONGA	30	23	.566	-
Lake Elsinore	28	25	.528	2
Lancaster	27	26	.509	3
Inland Empire	22	31	.415	8

CAL LEAGUE SCOREBOARD YESTERDAY

Inland Empire 7 at Stockton 8
Lake Elsinore 13 at Lancaster 8
Modesto 2 at RANCHO CUCAMONGA 11
San Jose 5 at Visalia 7

TODAY

Stockton at Lake Elsinore, 7:00 PM
 Inland Empire at San Jose, 7:00 PM
 Visalia at RANCHO CUCAMONGA, 7:05 PM
 Lancaster at Modesto, 7:05 PM

TOMORROW

Inland Empire at San Jose, 5:00 PM
 Stockton at Lake Elsinore, 6:00 PM
 Visalia at RANCHO CUCAMONGA, 7:05 PM
 Lancaster at Modesto, 7:05 PM

2019 QUAKES AT A GLANCE

1st Half Record:	41-27
2nd Half Record:	30-23
vs Visalia:	4-6
vs VIS Home	2-2
vs VIS Road	2-4
Home Record:	32-26
Road Record:	39-24
Current Streak:	W4
Shutouts:	7-7
Extra Innings:	6-7

PROBABLE QUAKES LINEUP

1. #24	Jeren Kendall	CF
2. #35	Chris Taylor	DH
3. #25	Jacob Amaya	SS
4. #29	Miguel Vargas	1B
5. #19	Hunter Feduccia	C
6. #6	Deacon Lipu	2B
7. #34	Starling Heredia	LF
8. #11	Eric Peterson	RF
9. #12	Brandon Montgomery	3B
P #41	Wills Montgomerie	RHP

UPCOMING GAMES AND PROBABLES

Date	Opp	Pitching Probables	Time	Radio
8/17	vs Visalia	TBD vs. RHP Michael Grove	7:05 PM	NewsTalk 1290
8/18	vs Visalia	TBD vs. RHP Gerardo Carrillo	12:05 PM	NewsTalk 1290
8/20	vs Lake Elsinore	TBD vs. LHP John Rooney	6:00 PM	NewsTalk 1290
8/21	vs Lake Elsinore	TBD vs. RHP Andre Jackson	6:00 PM	NewsTalk 1290