



# RANCHO CUCAMONGA QUAKES 2019 GAME NOTES



LOANMART FIELD

Sunday, August 11th at 6:10 PM  
Game #118 (#50), Away Game #63 (#29)

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Banner Island Ballpark  
Stockton, CA



RANCHO CUCAMONGA QUAKES (67-50 / 26-23)

AT

Stockton Ports (55-62, 22-27)



RHP Michael Grove (0-5, 6.47 ERA) vs. RHP Xavier Altamirano (5-8, 4.57 ERA)

**TODAY'S GAME:** Game No. 118 of the 2019 season is set for a 6:10 PM first pitch against the Stockton Ports (Oakland Athletics affiliate), as Rancho completes a three-game set at Banner Island Ballpark. After Sunday's ballgame. Following tonight's game, the Quakes will take a day off on Monday, then open a six-game home stand on Tuesday, starting with a series against the Modesto Nuts.

**VS STOCKTON:** This is the last of 16 total meetings between the Quakes and the Ports and the final of 10 games to be played at Banner Island Ballpark. So far in 2019, Rancho holds a three-game advantage over Stockton, taking nine out of the 15 tilts. The Quakes and Ports have split the first two games of this three-game set, but Rancho has won six of nine at Banner Island Ballpark this year.

**ANOTHER SHUTOUT:** The Quakes mustered just two hits on Saturday night, as they were blanked for the seventh time this year, falling to the Stockton Ports by a final of 5-0 at Banner Island Ballpark. The shutout is the second for the Ports in their last three home games against Rancho, with them earning a no-hit shut-out victory over the Quakes back on July 22nd. A's top prospect Jesus Luzardo was back in Stockton for a rehab appearance, as he struck out seven batters over three no-hit innings before being removed for eventual winner Michael Danielak (3-0) who fired 2.1 innings of scoreless relief. Rancho's lone offense came in the form of a Dillon Paulson double and a Jeter Downs single, both in the sixth inning. Rancho starter Wills Montgomerie was sharp in his return from the Injured List, scattering two hits and striking out five over 2.1 scoreless innings before being removed due to pitch count. Austin Hamilton (5-3) pitched well in relief, but suffered the loss despite giving up just one run over 3.1 innings of relief.

**THREE-WAY TIE ATOP THE SOUTH:** While it's certainly not as urgent for Rancho, by virtue of their first half South Division crown, the Quakes, the Lake Elsinore Storm and the Lancaster JetHawks all have the same second-half record of 26-23, finding themselves tied atop the South Division with just 21 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 as the Wild Card. Entering today, Lake Elsinore (61-56) has a one-game edge over Lancaster (60-57) for the second-best record in the South. In the North Division, Visalia has a five-game lead in the second half and already won the first half. As of today, the North Division's second-best record is very much up for grabs, with Stockton (55-62), San Jose (54-64) and Modesto (54-65) separated by just two games.

**COMIN' AROUND:** After batting just .128 over his first 15 games since his promotion to the California League, Dillon Paulson has hit safely in his last three games and has raised his average to .186 after going 5-for-12 over his last three games. On Friday, Paulson homered for the first time in a Quakes' uniform, giving him 13 on the year, after slugging 12 in 82 games at Great Lakes.

**NEXT NEW GUY TO THROW SOON:** Jose Martinez, who joined the Quakes on this current road trip, but has yet to debut for Rancho, but threw five days ago in the Midwest League, so his first appearance with his new club will most likely come very soon. Martinez was strong for the Loons over 22 games (12 starts), going 8-2 with an ERA of 3.34. The Venezuela native struck out 86 batters while walking 27 over 99.2 innings. The Dodgers signed Martinez in 2016, as this marks his third pro season.

**ROAD RECORD WITHIN REACH:** Despite dropping six of their last seven road games, the Quakes can still break their franchise record for road wins in a season by going 5-3 over their final eight road games of the season. Their current mark of 38-24 leaves them four wins shy of tying the franchise mark, set last year, when they went 42-28 on the road during their 2018 Championship season.

**MICHAEL GROVE:** Right-hander Michael Grove will take the hill and start for the 21st time this year and for the fourth time against Stockton in 2019. Head-to-head against the Ports, Grove is 0-1 in three starts, allowing just three runs on ten hits over 8.2 innings.

In his last outing overall, Grove scattered three hits while walking one and striking out five over 3.1 innings of scoreless baseball in a no-decision vs Lancaster on August 6th. The former West Virginia Mountaineer was drafted in the second round of the 2018 draft.

**XAVIER ALTAMIRANO:** Right-hander Xavier Altamirano is slated to start for the Ports today, as he makes his 22nd start, 24th appearance and his fourth start against Rancho. Against the Quakes in 2019, Altamirano is 1-2 with an ERA of 5.17, allowing ten runs (nine earned) on 16 hits over 15.2 innings. In his last start overall, Altamirano enjoyed his best outing of the year, allowing just one run on three hits over a season-best eight innings in a no-decision at Visalia on August 6th. The Douglas, Arizona native attended Oral Roberts University in Oklahoma and was a 27th round selection by Oakland in the 2015 draft.

**RECENT ROSTER MOVES:** On Saturday, the Quakes activated RHP Wills Montgomerie from the Injured List, while placing RHP Max Gamboa on the Injured List. On Friday, the Quakes sent INF Albert Suarez back to the Arizona League Dodgers and promoted RHP Jose Martinez from the Great Lakes Loons of the Midwest League.

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**ALMOST HOME:** The Quakes wrap up the current three-game trip with Sunday's tilt, before returning to LoanMart Field on Tuesday, as they open a six-game home stand against Modesto and Visalia, respectively. Tuesday night is another Healthy RC Recycle Tuesday, as fans can receive a FREE Club Seat Ticket when they bring ten CRV-eligible bottles or cans to the ticket office. Tickets are available at rcquakes.com or by phone at 909-481-5000.

## UPCOMING GAMES AND PROBABLES

Date	Opp	Pitching Probables	Time	Radio
8/13	vs Modesto	RHP Penn Murfee vs. RHP Gerardo Carrillo	7:05 PM	NewsTalk 1290
8/14	vs Modesto	RHP Austin Hutchison vs. LHP John Rooney	7:05 PM	NewsTalk 1290
8/15	vs Modesto	LHP Steve Moyers vs. RHP Andre Jackson	7:05 PM	NewsTalk 1290
8/16	vs Visalia	TBD vs. RHP Wills Montgomerie	7:05 PM	NewsTalk 1290

## 2ND HALF STANDINGS

NORTH	W	L	PCT	GB
Visalia	29	20	.592	-
Modesto	24	25	.490	5
San Jose	24	25	.490	5
Stockton	22	27	.449	7

SOUTH	W	L	PCT	GB
RANCHO CUCAMONGA	26	23	.531	-
Lancaster	26	23	.531	-
Lake Elsinore	26	23	.531	-
Inland Empire	19	30	.388	7

## CAL LEAGUE SCOREBOARD

### YESTERDAY

Visalia 8 at Lancaster 9 F/10  
 Modesto 10 at San Jose 3  
 RANCHO CUCAMONGA 0 at Stockton 5  
 Lake Elsinore 8 at Inland Empire 3

### TODAY

Modesto at San Jose, 5:00 PM  
 Visalia at Lancaster, 5:05 PM  
 Lake Elsinore at Inland Empire, 5:35 PM  
 RANCHO CUCAMONGA at Stockton, 6:10 PM

### AUGUST 13TH

Lake Elsinore at Lancaster, 6:35 PM  
 San Jose at Visalia, 7:00 PM  
 Modesto at RANCHO CUCAMONGA, 7:05 PM  
 Inland Empire at Stockton, 7:10 PM

## 2019 QUAKES AT A GLANCE

1st Half Record:	41-27
2nd Half Record:	26-23
vs Stockton:	9-6
vs STK Home	3-3
vs STK Road	6-3
Home Record:	29-26
Road Record:	38-24
Current Streak:	L1
Shutouts:	7-7
Extra Innings:	6-7

## PROBABLE QUAKES LINEUP

1.	#10	Brayan Morales	CF
2.	#25	Jacob Amaya	2B
3.	#15	Jeter Downs	SS
4.	#29	Miguel Vargas	1B
5.	#43	Dillon Paulson	DH
6.	#30	Jordan Procsyhen	C
7.	#34	Starling Heredia	LF
8.	#17	Marcus Chiu	RF
9.	#6	Deacon Liput	3B
P.	#23	Michael Grove	RHP