



RANCHO CUCAMONGA QUAKES 2019 GAME NOTES



LOANMART FIELD

Wednesday, August 14th at 7:05 PM
Game #120 (#52), Home Game #57 (#23)

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LoanMart Field
Rancho Cucamonga, CA



Modesto Nuts (55-66, 25-26) AT RANCHO CUCAMONGA QUAKES (69-50 / 28-23)



RHP Austin Hutchison (3-10, 4.92 ERA) vs. LHP John Rooney (2-1, 2.67 ERA)

TODAY'S GAME: Today's contest is another edition of Terra Vista Animal Hospital Bark in the Ballpark, as the Quakes continue their second-to-last home stand with a three-game series against the Cal League Affiliate of the Seattle Mariners, the Modesto Nuts. To finish off the six-game home stand, the Visalia Rawhide will come to town, starting on Friday evening.

VS MODESTO: This is the eighth of nine head-to-head matchups between the Quakes and the Nuts in 2019. Furthermore, this is the fifth of six games to be played here at LoanMart Field between these two clubs. So far in their two previous three-game sets, Rancho and Modesto have split right down the middle. In April, Rancho took two out of three from Modesto up in Northern California at John Thurman Field. In their last series, here at LoanMart in May, the Nuts returned the favor by taking two out of three.

SOME MORE MAGIC AT HOME: To take game one of the series, the Quakes (68-50, 27-23) used eight unanswered runs late in the contest to top the Nuts (55-66, 25-26) by a final tally of 13-10 on Tuesday night. Trailing 10-5 heading into the seventh, Jeren Kendall (15th) capped off a three-run frame with a two-run blast to right. Still down 10-8 heading into the eighth, Rancho blasted off for five more runs to take the advantage for good. Miguel Vargas was the official hero, as he chopped a two-RBI single right back up the middle when the game was tied at 10 runs apiece. Vargas and Kendall led the way offensively, as they both recorded two-hits and three RBI on the evening. Brett de Geus (2-0), who earned the win, played a pivotal role in the comeback due to his 2.1 scoreless innings at the end of the tilt. He struck out four batters, allowed two hits and issued no walks. On the other side, Colin Kober (3-2) got rocked for the loss, giving up six earned runs on seven hits in just one-plus inning.

SCOREBOARD WATCHING SZN: While it's certainly not as urgent for Rancho, by virtue of their first half South Division crown, the Quakes (28-23) have a one-game lead on the Lancaster JetHawks (27-24) and a two-game cushion on the Lake Elsinore Storm (26-25), finding themselves close-knit in the South Division with just 19 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 Wednesday, Lake Elsinore (61-58) and Lancaster (61-58) are all knotted up 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 (55-64), Modesto (55-66) and San Jose (55-65) separated by just one game.

RIGHT TIME TO GET GOIN': After batting just .128 over his first 15 games since his promotion to the California League, Dillon Paulson has hit safely in his last five games and has raised his average to .212 after going 8-for-19 over his last five games. On Friday in Stockton, 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. On Wednesday, the San Marcos, CA native was all over the base paths, as he went 1-for-2 with three walks and three runs.

OFFENSIVE OUTPOUR: Rancho tallied 14 total hits in their come-from-behind victory on Tuesday. Five different Quakes had multi-hit efforts, as Deacon Liput led the way with a 3-for-4 performance. As a team, they notched two doubles, a triple and a homer.

JOHN ROONEY: LHP John Rooney has only made five starts with the Quakes since his July 17th promotion from the Great Lake Loons, and he's made himself an anchor for the starting rotation. The Melrose, NY native has pitched at least five innings in each of his five starts for the Quakes, with his longest start for Rancho coming against the Stockton Ports on July 28th, going six innings pitched and allowing two earned runs. In two out of Rooney's last three starts, he's matched a career-high eight strikeouts while walking one batter in each of those starts. During his last start, the 22-year-old surrendered three runs (one earned) to the JetHawks in 5.2 innings, striking out four and walking two before taking the no-decision. Rooney was selected in the third round of the 2018 draft.

AUSTIN HUTCHISON: The Dandridge, TN native, RHP Austin Hutchison is set to toe the rubber for the Nuts in game two of the series. This is Hutchison's 23rd overall appearance for Modesto of the 2019 season, and his 20th start. Throughout those 23 total appearances, the right-hander owns a 3-10 record, along with a near-five 4.92 ERA. In his last outing, back on August 9th against San Jose, Hutchison took the loss due to the nine runs (eight earned) he surrendered in just 2.1 innings. This start will serve as Hutchison's fifth start of his career and of third of the season against Rancho. Hutchison was drafted by Seattle out of Mount Olive (NC) in the 26th round of the 2017 draft.

ROSTER MOVES: The Quakes made a pair of roster moves today, as catcher Jordan Procyshen was transferred to Double-A Tulsa. Taking his spot on the roster is catcher Tre Todd, who joins the club from Class-A Great Lakes of the Midwest League.

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HOME, AND IT FEELS SO GOOD!: The Quakes have returned home for a six-game homestand versus both the Modesto Nuts and the Visalia Rawhide. Don't miss out on fun outings on the Quakes' home turf with Bernards Thirsty Thursday, Family RV \$1 Feast Night and National CORE Fireworks. Make sure to purchase tickets online at rcquakes.com or by calling (909) 481-5000.

2ND HALF STANDINGS

NORTH	W	L	PCT	GB
Visalia	30	21	.588	-
Modesto	25	26	.490	5
San Jose	25	26	.490	5
Stockton	22	29	.431	8

SOUTH	W	L	PCT	GB
RANCHO CUCAMONGA	28	23	.549	-
Lancaster	27	24	.529	1
Lake Elsinore	26	25	.510	2
Inland Empire	21	30	.412	7

CAL LEAGUE SCOREBOARD YESTERDAY

Inland Empire 7 at Stockton 0
Lake Elsinore 4 at Lancaster 9
Modesto 10 at RANCHO CUCAMONGA 13
San Jose 11 at Visalia 3

TODAY

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

TOMORROW

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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:	28-23
vs Modesto:	4-3
vs MOD Home	2-2
vs MOD Road	2-1
Home Record:	29-27
Road Record:	39-24
Current Streak:	W2
Shutouts:	7-6
Extra Innings:	6-7

PROBABLE QUAKES LINEUP

1.	#10	Brayan Morales	RF
2.	#25	Jacob Amaya	DH
3.	#15	Jeter Downs	SS
4.	#24	Jeren Kendall	CF
5.	#29	Miguel Vargas	3B
6.	#43	Dillon Paulson	1B
7.	#34	Starling Heredia	LF
8.	#19	Hunter Feduccia	C
9.	#6	Deacon Liput	2B
P.	#22	John Rooney	LHP

UPCOMING GAMES AND PROBABLES

Date	Opp	Pitching Probables	Time	Radio
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
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