

GAMEDAY INFO & NOTES Game #75 | July 29, 2021 | Funko Field | Everett, WA Eugene Emeralds (42-32) at Everett AquaSox (49-24) LHP Seth Corry (3-3, 5.98 ERA) vs. RHP Levi Stoudt (6-1, 3.09 ERA) Listen live on 95.3FM The Score or on the MiLB Gameday app



LAST TIME OUT

The Emeralds split a doubleheader with the AquaSox on Wednesday, winning in Game 1, 2-0, while dropping Game Two. The win in the first game of the twin billing snapped a streak of 7 consecutive games decided by just one run (Ems were 3-4 during span) but it also snapped Eugene's 15-game homer streak. Kai-Wei Teng tossed a strong 5.0 innings while allowing just 2 hits and 3 walks with 5 K's. Chris Wright earned his 7th save in as many opportunities with the Emeralds, finishing off the final two innings of Game One. In Game Two, Eugene got out to a promising start by plating a pair of runs in the first, but Everett responded immediately by putting up eight runs over the first two innings -four runs in each frame - behind homers from three different players. Eugene roared back with a four-run inning of their own in the fourth, but that was as close as they could get as Everett won, 9-6, to split the doubleheader.

TONIGHT'S STORYLINES

High-A West strikeout leader LHP Seth Corry tows the rubber for the Emeralds tonight against fellow former 3rd rounder RHP Levi Stoudt. Eugene will be aiming to even the series against the Frogs after falling on Tuesday and then splitting yesterday's doubleheader. Eugene is just 9-15 in the month of July but still firmly entrenched in second place with the next closest teams being both Spokane and Vancouver who are both 8 games back of Eugene. Do-it-all utility man Brett Auerbach gets a day off today while San Francisco native Robert Emery makes his second straight start. Eugene welcome new addition RHP Ryan Murphy to the team today from Low-A San Jose. Murphy leads the entire Minor Leagues in strikeouts (116) and is the eighth player to be promoted to High-A Eugene from San Jose this season.

QUICK HITS

Ems Add Minor League Strikeout Leader

Right-hander Ryan Murphy was promoted from the Low-A San Jose Giants to the High-A Eugene Emeralds on Thursday. Murpy, a 5th rounder (114th overall) in the 2020 draft out of Le Moyne (NY), ranked 1st in all of the Minor Leagues in strikeouts (116) at the time of his promotion. He joins the Ems after going 4-2 in 15 starts with Low-A San Jose with a 2.96 ERA and an astounding 116 strikeouts in 76.0 innings of work. The Poughkeepsie, New York native had been simply sensational in the month of July for San Jose, going 3-1 with a 1.74 ERA in five July starts while posting double-digit strikeouts in all five outings. He departs San Jose as the Low-A West leader in ERA (2.96), strikeouts (116) and innings pitched (76.0). Overall, San Jose has seen seven other players promoted to Eugene this season: OF Tyler Flores, LHP Chris Wright, OF Armani Smith, C Ricardo Genovés, C Robert Emery, INF/OF Brett Auerbach, and RHP Austin Reich.

Dahlberg Debuts For Eugene

Left-hander Jake Dahlberg will make his debut for the Emeralds, and the San Francisco Giants system as a whole, when he takes the mound today against Everett. The southpaw was signed last week from the Chicago Dogs of the American Association and was previously a 21st round selection by the St. Louis Cardinals in 2017. While with Chicago, went 6-2 with a 3.05 ERA and 76 K's with 11 BB over 62.0 IP in 15 APPs (9 starts). His 3.04 ERA ranked 3rd in the American Association upon his signing.

Bishop Optioned To ACL

2019 1st rounder Hunter Bishop was officially optioned to the ACL today where it is presumed that he will begin a rehab assignment. Bishop has not played since the first week of the High-A West season.

Tale Of Two Pitching Staffs

Collectively, Eugene starting pitchers are 14-29 with a 6.03 ERA, the second-worst ERA by a starting pitching staff in High-A (Asheville Tourists). Eugene has only gotten 6.0 innings out of a starting pitcher FOUR times this season:

- Caleb Kilian: May 22 at TC (7.0 IP)
- Kai-Wei Teng: June 22 vs. VAN (6.0 IP)
- Conner Nurse: June 26 vs. VAN (6.1 IP)
- Aaron Phillips: July 1 at HIL (7.0 IP)

By contrast, Hillsboro got 6.0 innings out of their starting pitchers in four out of six games in last week's series at PK Park.

Meanwhile, Eugene's bullpen has gone an absurd 28-4 with a 4.10 ERA and 433 K's in 338.0 innings pitched, but this past Friday marked the second time in just over a week that the Emeralds 'pen saw a large margin dissipate in just one inning after what was a ten-run eighth inning by Spokane on July 15 that turned a seven-run Eugene lead into a three-run deficit. No other team in the Minor Leagues has fewer than 6 bullpen losses [Tampa Tarpons]. Eugene's 433 bullpen K's rank 3rd in all of High-A.

The Wright Stuff

No Marte? No Dabo? No problem. Wright has slid into the closer role seamlessly after prior Emeralds closers Jose Marte and RJ Dabovich each received promotions to Double: A Richmond. In 30.0 innings pitched this season between Low-A San Jose and High-A Eugene, Wright has struck out an 53 batters while going 11-for-11 in saves.

Strikeout Savants

Through 74 games, the Eugene pitching staff leads the High-A West in strikeouts (789). Their 789 collective strikeouts are 6 more than the next closest High-A West team (Everett - 783), and the Ems rank 5th in all of High-A, too. Across all of Minor League Baseball, Eugene's 789 K's rank 12. Coincidentally, the San Jose Giants (San Francisco - Low A) lead all of Minor League Baseball with 919 K's. Entering today, San Jose's 919 K's are 92 more than the next closest team (Modesto Nuts | SEA | Low-A West).

Living On The Edge

After falling in extra innings to the Tri-City Dust Devils, 7-6, on May 20, the Emeralds had won 11 straight games decided by one run before falling to the Hillsboro Hops on July 21, 3-2, with the final out being made at home plate. The Emeralds are 14-5 in one-run games this season, with every game last week between the Emeralds and Hillsboro Hops being decided by just one run.

The Clutch (Eu)Gene

Eugene has been one of the best teams hitting with two outs in all of High-A. Eugene ranks 4th in AVG (.249), 3rd in runs (183), 4th in hits (201), 2nd on OB% (.353), 4th in SLG (.423) and 4th in OPS (.776) when hitting with two outs. It doesn't stop there, though. Eugene has come up big in late/close situations (definition below). Eugene ranks 7th all of High-A in AVG (.259), 5th in runs scored (49), and 1st in OB% (.392), 2nd in SLG (.468), and 1st in OPS (.860) in late/close situations. The pitching staff has been just as good, too. In late/close situations, the Eugene ranks 3rd in High-A in ERA (3.02) and 1st in opponent's average (.184).

On the other side of the coin, in terms of two out hitting, Everett ranks 5th in average (.248), 1st in runs (220), 3rd in hits (202), 1st in OBP (.381), 1st in SLG (.479), and 1st in OPS (.860).

Late/close definition per MLB.com: Late-inning pressure situations are defined as any at-bat in the seventh inning or later where the batter's team trails by three runs or fewer, is tied or is ahead by only one run. If the bases are loaded and the batting team trails by four runs, this also counts as a late-inning pressure situation.

EMS BY THE NUMBERS

Overall	42-32
Home*	20-16
Road	22-16
Neutral	0-0
Day	3-1
Night	39-31
Runs Scored	404
Runs Against	401
Run Differential	+3
Team AVG	.240
Team ERA	5.02
HR for/against	84/71
Strikeouts (pitching)	789
Strikeouts (hitting)	747
Current Streak	Ll
Longest W Streak	W8
Longest L Streak	L5
Extra Innings	4-1
Shutouts	3-1
1-Run Games	14-5
May	15-9
June	17-8
July	9-15
August	0-0
September	0-0
Scoring First	27-12
Opponent Scores First	15-20
Monday	0-2
Tuesday	9-3
Wednesday	8-5
Thursday	6-6
Friday	6-6
Saturday	5-7
Sunday	8-3
vs. Fverett	1-5
vs. Hillsboro*	12-6
vs. Spokane	3-3
vs. Tri-City	0-0
vs. Vancouver	4-2
at Everett	2-6
at Hillsboro	3-3
at Spokane	9-3
at Tri-City	4-2
at Vancouver	4-2
Series Openers	10-2
Series Finales	8-4

SF Giants Prospect Watch

Per MLB.com, the Emeralds boast 3 of the organization's top 30 prospects: - #5 LHP Seth Corry

- #18 RHP Kai-Wei Teng
- #28 C Ricardo Genoves

Seattle Mariners Prospect Watch

The AquaSox boast 10 of the Seattle Mariners' top 30 prospects:

- #3 RHP Emerson Hancock
- #4 RHP George Kirby
- #7 RHP Juan Then
- #10 RHP Isaiah Campbell
- #12 RHP Levi Stoudt
- #22 SS Kaden Polcovich
- #23 RHP Tim Elliott
- #25 3B Tyler Keenan
- #29 OF Cade Marlowe
- #30 RHP Taylor Dollard

Olympic Ems

Diego Rincones, Jasier Herrera and Ismael Munguia each competed in the Olympic Qualifying Tournament held in Florida:

- Herrera (Columbia): 1 APP (vs. Venezuela) | 2.0 IP, 1 H, 1 BB, 0 R, 0 K
- Munguia (Nicaragua): 3 games | 6-for-12 (.500), 1 2B, 2 R.

- Rincones (Venezuela): 5 games | 4-for-19 (.211), 1 2B, 1 HR, 2 R | Hit walkoff HR vs. Columbia in bottom of 9th.

Rincones later suited up for the Venezuelan National Team during the WSBC Final Qualifier held in Mexico. The barrel-chested outfielder made his mark in both stints with the Venezuelan National Team, including a walk-off homer against Columbia in Florida and later a three-run homer against the Dominican Republic in the championship game of the Final Qualifier, a game that Venezuela would go on to lose, 8-5, to just miss out on qualifying for the Tokyo Olympics.

Olympic News and Notes

The Opening Round of the Olympics kicks off this week with the following matchups (all times PST):

- 7/28: Dominican Republic vs. Japan (8pm)
- 7/29: Israel vs. South Korea (3am)
- 7/30: Mexico vs. Dominican Republic (8pm)
- 7/30: USA vs. Israel (3am)
- 7/31: Japan vs. Mexico (8pm)
- 7/31: USA vs. South Korea (3am)

Outfielder Julio Rodriguez, who played for the Everett AquaSox earlier this season, will be suiting up for the Dominican Republic. Fellow former AquaSox outfielder Patrick Kivlehan (2012) will be playing for Team USA, as will former

Oregon Duck pitcher Scott McGough, who, coincidentally is married to former

PITCHES: 4-Seam Fastball, 2-Seam Fastball, Curveball, Changeup

#14 Seth Corry (LHP) Height: 6'2 Weight: 195 İbs Acquired: Round 3 (2017) Hometown: Alpine, UT School: Lone Peak (UT) Born: November 3, 1998 (22)

BIO: #5 ranked prospect in the San Francisco Giants system per MLB.com. Per MLB.com: "An all-state safety as a Utah prepster, Corry tore the anterior cruciate ligament in his knee playing football as a junior but rebounded in 2017 to become the state's best high school prospect since Mark Pawelek was a Cubs first-rounder in 2005. Signed for a well-over-slot \$1 million as a third-rounder, Corry broke out in the second half of 2019 and won low Class A South Atlantic League pitcher of the year honors after leading the circuit in ERA (1.76, second in the Minors), strikeouts (172, fourth), strikeout rate (12.6 per nine innings, fifth), whiff rate (34 percent,

fifth) and opponent average (171, third). The Giants didn't bring their young pitchers to their alternate site last summer, so he worked out at home before reporting to instructional league. Corry has three solid or better offerings, highlighted by an upper-70s curveball with downer action that he often commands better than his fastball. His heater usually operates in the low 90s and tops out at 96 mph with armside run, though he worked at 93-95 in shorter stints during instructional league. He made significant improvements with his changeup in 2019, which helped him do a better job of keeping right-handers in check. Corry finished strong in 2019 once he developed a better and more consistent tempo in his delivery, reducing his walk rate to 2.6 per nine innings in the second half from 6.2 earlier in his career. He does throw with some effort but has the athleticism to make it work. He elicits comparisons to a young Matt Moore, who like Corry repeated Rookie ball and needed time to learn to harness his stuff." Per FanGraphs, "Corry was a pretty raw fastball/curveball high school prospect whose changeup improved throughout the last two seasons, which is especially relevant because that pitch's movement pairs better with his fastball than the curve. Armed with that change, he dominated Low-A, striking out 172 hitters in 122 innings. He's a fairly stiff, short strider and often has scattershot fastball control – he walked a batter every other inning last year – so there's significant relief risk here. We're not inclined to project on Corry's control enough to consider him a starter, but we like him as a bat-missing, multi-inning reliever who ends up throwing 90 or so innings."

W	L	ERA	G	GS	CG	SHO	SV	SVO	IP	H	R	ER	HR	HB	BB	IBB	K	AVG	WP
3	3	5.98	14	4	0	0	0	0	58.2	45	44	39	3	15	57	0	88	.221	9

#12 Levi Stoudt (RHP)

Height: 6'2 Weight: 195 lbs Acquired: Round 3 (2019) Hometown: Pennsburg, PA School: Lehigh Born: December 4, 1997 (23)

PITCHES: Fastball, Slider, Changeup

Notes: His fastball sat 93-94 mph and touched as high as 97 during instructs ... His best secondary pitche is a split changeup thrown with a vulcan grip (between middle and ring finger) ... Spent 3 seasons at Lehigh University (2017-19) ... named Second Team All-Patriot League selection in 2019 ... 2019: Missed what would have been his first pro season after having Ulnar Collateral Ligament (Tommy John) surgery on right elbow on July 15, about a month after he was drafted ... 2019 (at Lehigh): made 10 starts and 11 appearances as the ace of the rotation ... ranked fourth in the Patriot League in ERA (3.53) and strikeouts (69), while leading Lehigh in innings

pitched (63.2), complete games (3) and opponent batting average (.228) ... tallied a season-high 10 strikeouts at Maryland Eastern Shore in six innings (3/8) ... 2020: Did not play due to the COVID-19 pandemic ... participated in Mariners Player Development Fall League, where he struck out 10 batters and walked 3/9 innings. Per MLB Pipeline: "A quick ascent at Lehigh University to the conference's all-freshman team showed Stoudt had early potential. He followed it up with a stellar sophomore campaign, not allowing a single homer over his first two seasons, and he capped it as the ace of the staff while leading the team in innings, complete games and opponents' batting average. That potential appeased the Mariners, who took him in the third round of the 2019 Draft, making him one of four college pitchers Seattle selected in the Top 100 picks. Shortly after the Draft, the righty experienced elbow fatigue, which eventually led to Tommy John surgery. After undergoing the procedure right after he signed, Stoudt recovered incredibly well, pitching in the Mariners' fall developmental league, where his fastball was as high as 97 mph with a ton of ride up in the zone. Though it doesn't have a ton of movement, he's located it well in short stints. The changeup is the pitch that has Mariners scouts drooling, particularly with the depth and fade Stoudt delivers it with, as well as his ability to land it for strikes. His curveball and slider have a ton of potential, too. Following his performance in Arizona last fall, if Stoudt continues to recover positively, he could be stretched out further to a full season in the Minors. His upside has back-end starter ceiling potential."

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DATE	TIME	OPPONENT	EMERALDS STARTER	OPPONENT STARTER
Friday, July 30	7:05pm PST	@ Everett AquaSox	RHP Aaron Phillips	RHP Tim Elliott
Saturday, July 31	7:05pm PST	@ Everett AquaSox	RHP Conner Nurse	RHP Reid Morgan
Sunday, August 1	4:05pm PST	@ Everett AquaSox	LHP Jake Dahlberg	RHP Taylor Dollard
Tuesday, August 3	7:05pm PST	Tri-City Dust Devils	TBD	TBD
Wednesday, August 4	7:05pm PST	Tri-City Dust Devils	TBD	TBD
Thursday, August 5	7:05pm PST	Tri-City Dust Devils	TBD	TBD

HIGH-A WEST STANDINGS										
	W	L	PCT.	GB	RF	RA				
Everett	49	24	.671		518	315				
Eugene	42	32	.568	7.5	404	401				
Spokane	34	40	.459	15.5	369	379				
Vancouver	34	40	.459	15.5	363	404				
Hillsboro	32	40	.444	16.5	312	353				
Tri-City	29	44	.397	20.0	290	404				

Emeralds intern, Lauren McGough (formerly Thompson).