

# RANCHO CUCAMONGA QUAKES 2021 GAME NOTES



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"The Diamond" Pete Lehr Field Lake Elsinore, CA





## RANCHO CUCAMONGA QUAKES (18-14)

## AT

### **Lake Elsinore Storm (15-18)**





RHP Jimmy Lewis (0-1, 9.69 ERA) vs. LHP Noel Vela (1-2, 2.92 ERA)

**TODAY'S GAME:** Rancho will look to guarantee a tie of the series at worst as they go for their third win of the series tonight in game four of the six-game set against the Padres Low-A West affiliate. The Quakes with a win tonight would be a season best five games above .500 on their record for the season. The Quakes offense has been hot and cold so far this series, posting 22 hits on Tuesday before settling for five and seven hits, respectively over the next two games.

LAST NIGHT'S GAME: The game started off with a bang last night, as Eddy's Leonard ripped a double on the first pitch of the game. Next batter was Sam McWilliams who launched his second home run of the season last night and put the Quakes up by two runs after the first two batters of the game. The Storm responded with four hits and two runs of their own in the bottom of the first. After a lively first inning both Peto and Thomas settled in on the mound, and pitched a few scoreless innings until the fifth came around. A Brandon Wulff pop fly was allowed to drop with two outs by the Storm, and on the next pitch Wladimir Chalo blasted a two-run home run to regain the lead for his team. It was Chalo's first homer of the season and he now has six runs batted in on the season. The Storm responded with a run of their own in the bottom of the fifth as Hassell tripled and Valenzuela knocked him in with a single, pulling the Storm within one of the Quakes. The Storm tied the game up in the seventh inning as Valenzuela knocked in his second RBI of the game. The biggest swing of the game came in the top of the eighth inning, as Leonard and McWilliams both walked with two outs, and Brandon Lewis made the most of the opportunity. Lewis unleashed a three-run homer off of reliever Ruben Galindo and gave the Quakes a three run lead. Franklin De La Paz pitched a scoreless eighth and ninth innings on his way to his second win of the season. HOMERS ARE HELPFUL: Last night, Rancho racked up three more home runs to give them 36 now on the season. That is good enough for second in the Low-A West, two behind the San Jose Giants. The Quakes scored all seven of their runs last night by way of the home run. Rancho has been on a bit of a hot streak with the long ball as of late, they have blasted nine home runs over their last four games. Rancho continues to be one of the top producing offenses in the league, as they are among the top of the Low-A West in homers, and runs both scored and batted in.

**NO SHOEMAKER:** The Quakes are without the skipper at the helm for the next few games, as he was gone yesterday to attend a family affair. In his place Johan Garcia is the acting manager of the ball club for the next few games. Placido Polanco helped out the Quakes last night, as the former Big Leaguer was coaching first and handling the pitching moves last night. Johan Garcia got his first win as acting manager last night, and the team will have to make it until Sunday without Shoemaker in the dugout.

**JIMMY LEWIS:** The Quakes will go with Jimmy Lewis tonight, as he makes his seventh appearance and fifth start of the year, his second appearance and first start against the Storm. In his only outing against the Storm this year, Lewis allowed two runs (one earned) on three hits over 1.2 innings back on May 19th at The Diamond. Lewis has not pitched more than 2.2 innings in any outing this year and has allowed at least one run in each of his six appearances, including five home runs in just 13 innings. Lewis was picked 78th overall in the 2020 draft out of Lake Travis High School in Austin, TX. He's expected to be backed up tonight by Hyun-Il Choi, who has piggy-backed with Lewis in some capacity (two starts) for each of his appearances.

**NOEL VELA:** The left-hander Noel Vela will be getting the ball for Mike McCoy's Storm here in game four of the series. Vela faced the Quakes back in the opening game of their first series back in mid May. Vela took the loss in that one, going 4.1 innings and allowing three runs on six hits. Vela also started the final game of that series, going just three innings of shut out baseball. Vela got a win in his last start, going six innings against the Stockton Ports, where he allowed a single run on one hit and struck out 11 batters in that game. He was a 28th round selection by the Padres back in 2017 out of Veterans Memorial High School in Mission, Texas. Vela will be looking for his second win in as many starts tonight.

**AROUND THE FARM:** The Great Lakes Loons fell again to the Dayton Dragons by a 6-3 final, as the Loons drop a game below the .500 mark now on the season. The Tulsa Drillers stayed hot last night as they won a shootout against the Wichita Surge. The Drillers took this one by a 12-10 final, as they were down to their final out when Carlos Rincon blasted a game tying three-run home run to send the game to extras. In the tenth inning Jaren Kendall hit a walk-off two-run home run to solidify the come from behind win, and they improve to eight games over .500 now for their season. The Oklahoma City Dodgers got a win of their own last night as they took down the El Paso Chihuahuas 4-1. The Dodgers got a win last night and finished off a sweep of the Pirates. Julio Urías got his ninth win of the season for the Dodgers and Bickford picked up his first save with the ball club on the season. The Dodgers are currently in second place in the NL West, a game and a half behind the Giants.

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**HOME GAMES:** The Quakes will be returning to LoanMart Field to face off against the Visalia Rawhide for a six-game series on Tuesday the 15th. It will be the Quakes first meeting against the Rawhide this season. Limited tickets for all Quakes home games are available online at requakes.com.

UPCOMING GAMES AND PROBABLES				
Date	Opp	Pitching Probables	Time	Radio
6/12	at Lake Elsinore	RHP Kendall Williams vs. LHP Gabe Morales	6:35 PM	RCQuakes.com
6/13	at Lake Elsinore	RHP Carlos Duran vs. RHP Nick Thwaits	4:05 PM	RCQuakes.com
6/15	vs. Visalia	TBD vs. Gavin Stone	6:30 PM	RCQuakes.com
6/16	vs. Visalia	TBD vs. Robbie Peto	6:30 PM	RCQuakes.com

#### STANDINGS

NORTH	W	L	PCT	GB
resno	22	11	.667	-
San Jose	21	12	.636	1
Modesto	20	13	.606	2
Stockton	13	20	.394	9

SOUTH	W	L	PCT	GB
RANCHO CUCAMONGA	18	14	.562	-
Inland Empire	15	17	.469	3
Lake Elsinore	15	18	.455	3.5
Visalia	7	26	.212	11.5

#### **TODAY**

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

#### **TOMORROW**

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

## CAL LEAGUE SCOREBOARD SUNDAY

Visalia 4 Inland Empire 2

RANCHO CUCAMONGA 7 Lake Elsinore 4

Stockton 14 San Jose 5

Fresno 12 Modesto 1

#### **2021 QUAKES AT A GLANCE**

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1st Half Record:	18-14
vs Lake Elsinore:	6-3
vs L. E. Home	0-0
vs L.E. Road	6-3
Home Record:	9-9
Road Record:	9-5
Current Streak:	W1

#### Probable Quakes Lineun

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1.	#3	S. McWilliams	LF
2.	#14	J. Vivas	2B
3.	#23	B. Lewis	3B
4.	#17	D. Cartaya	C
5.	#15	J. DeLuca	RF
6.	#10	E. Leonard	SS
7.	#29	B. Wulff	DH
8.	#5	S. Lao	1B
9.	#7	E. Mateo	CF
P.	#19	I Lewis	RHP