



RANCHO CUCAMONGA QUAKES 2021 GAME NOTES



LOANMART FIELD

Wednesday, July 14th, 2021 6:30 PM
Game #61, Home Game #32

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LoanMart Field
Rancho Cucamonga, CA

Inland Empire 66ers (31-29)

AT

RANCHO CUCAMONGA QUAKES (32-28)

RHP Jack Kochanowicz (3-1, 6.57 ERA) vs. RHP Gavin Stone (0-1, 3.83 ERA)



TODAY'S GAME: Here in game two of their series against the Inland Empire 66ers, the Quakes will look to get a win to remain in sole possession of first place in the South Division. Tonight is Bark at the Ballpark presented by Terra Vista Animal Hospital. This means four-legged friends are welcome to tonight's game, thanks to Terra Vista Animal Hospital. Pet Friendly seats are located on the First Base side of the stadium, from Club Box 5 over to the Fault Zone. Don't forget to purchase your \$3 pet pass!

LAST NIGHT'S GAME: For the second game in a row, we had free baseball at LoanMart Field. Unfortunately, the Quakes found themselves on the wrong side of a 7-4 final score after 11-innings. The Quakes struck for a run in the first inning, as Jorbit Vivas plated Jake Vogel for the first run of the game. The 66ers responded with a run of their own, as they took advantage of a fielding error to tie the game. The Quakes plated a run in the bottom of the second, thanks to two doubles by Jonny DeLuca and Jake Vogel. Rancho took a two-run lead into the seventh inning, where Inland Empire catcher Gustavo Campero tied the game with a two-run homer. Both teams had chances to score in the ninth and tenth innings, but no runs were pushed across. Finally, with two outs in the 11th inning, the Inland Empire rallied to plate four runs off of a pair of doubles by Braxton Martinez and Jose Guzman. Rancho could only muster one run in response, as they fell in game one of the series.

GOOD START DOESN'T LAST: The Quakes got a great start from pitcher Carlos Duran, who went five innings, allowing just one hit and an unearned run against the Inland Empire offense. Duran left with the lead, but ended up with the no-decision. This was the fourth start of the season where Duran didn't allow an earned run, and in his last eight innings he has surrendered just a pair of hits. He's also recorded 13 strikeouts, as opposed to just one walk over those eight innings.

LONG-BALL STREAK ENDS: Rancho went without a home run in last night's contest. This was the first game since their victory over the Fresno Grizzlies on July 4th where the Rancho offense was held without a home run. The Quakes homered at least once in every game against the Lake Elsinore Storm in the previous series. They lead all of Low-A with 86 round-trippers.

NO FREE PASSES: Last night was one of the most efficient pitching performances by a pair of teams in the Low-A West all season. Through nine innings last night, neither team issued a walk to a single batter. It wasn't until the tenth inning when Diego Cartaya was put on intentionally that the first free pass was issued. The Quakes would walk a pair in the 11th inning, and both runners later came in to score. Both sides did a great job of limiting scoring chances by not walking batters, and this comes after a Sunday game that saw the Lake Elsinore Storm walk 11 batters in a loss to Rancho.

DELUCA NAMED PLAYER OF THE WEEK: Outfielder Jonny DeLuca smashed a league-best four homers and drove in ten runs last week to be named Low-A West Player of the Week. DeLuca is the fourth Rancho player to receive a weekly award in 2021.

ALL-STAR GAME RECAP: The American League took the 5-2 victory over the NL last night. Toronto Blue Jay's Vladimir Guerrero Jr. took home the All-Star Game MVP award. Max Muncy started the game as the designated hitter for the National League. He and fellow Dodgers Chris Taylor and Justin Turner went a combined 1-for-6 in the game, with Turner logging the only hit.

PLAYOFFS? YES, PLAYOFFS!: At the beginning of the 2021 season, it was understood that there would be no playoffs across the country for all of Minor League Baseball, due to the ongoing global pandemic. Major League Baseball will now implement a "revised" playoff plan, allowing each league to crown a champion with a playoff series. The playoffs will be shortened to a single series, that features the top two teams (by record), regardless of division. The top three teams in all of Low-A West currently reside up North, where Fresno has a two-game lead over San Jose and a four-game lead over Modesto. The Quakes are currently 7.5 games back of Fresno and 5.5 out of a playoff spot with 60 games remaining in the 120-game season. The 2022 season will see the league move to a 132-game schedule and the first-half and second-half winners of each respective division meet in the playoffs.

GAVIN STONE: The Quakes will look to even the series with Gavin Stone taking the mound tonight in game two of the series. In his last start, Stone went four innings against the Lake Elsinore Storm. He gave up a pair of runs on five hits and struck out seven on his way to a no-decision. Stone was a fifth round selection out of Central Arkansas and is looking to tally his first win of the season.

JACK KOCHANOWICZ: The 66ers will try to make it two in a row to start the series, and will send Jack Kochanowicz to the mound tonight. In his last start, Kochanowicz got his third win of the season, and his second in as many starts, as he went seven strong innings against the Visalia Rawhide. Kochanowicz allowed just three hits and two runs (one earned) and struck out eight in the contest. Kochanowicz was a third round pick by the Angels in 2019 and is ranked as the number seven prospect in the Angels' system according to Baseball America.

NEW RADIO HOME: Throughout the 2021 season, you can catch all the action from the ease of your phone or computer. Listen online at rcquakes.com and the iHeartRadio app (Keyword: Quakes) with the "Voice of the Quakes" Mike Lindskog and Davis Ellington. To listen LIVE at LoanMart Field, tune your portable FM radio to 91.3 FM.

HOME GAMES: The Quakes are home through Sunday to face the 66ers. Join us at the ballpark tomorrow, it's another Thirsty Thursday, with drink specials throughout the night. Friday is U.S. Bank Quakes Cap Giveaway! Tickets available at rcquakes.com.

UPCOMING GAMES AND PROBABLES

Date	Opp	Pitching Probables	Time	Radio
7/15	vs Inland Empire	LHP Jose Salvador vs. RHP Robbie Peto	6:30 PM	RCQuakes.com
7/16	vs Inland Empire	LHP Adam Seminaris vs. RHP Jimmy Lewis	6:30 PM	RCQuakes.com
7/17	vs Inland Empire	RHP Julio Goff vs. RHP Kendall Williams	6:30 PM	RCQuakes.com
7/18	vs Inland Empire	TBD vs. RHP Carlos Duran	5:00 PM	RCQuakes.com

DIVISION STANDINGS

NORTH	W	L	PCT	GB
Fresno	40	21	.656	-
San Jose	38	23	.623	2
Modesto	36	25	.590	4
Stockton	25	36	.410	15

SOUTH	W	L	PCT	GB
RANCHO CUCAMONGA	32	28	.533	-
Inland Empire	31	29	.517	1
Lake Elsinore	27	34	.443	5.5
Visalia	14	46	.230	18.5

2021 PLAYOFF STANDINGS

NORTH	W	L	PCT	GB
Fresno	40	21	.656	-
San Jose	38	23	.623	2
Modesto	36	25	.590	4
RANCHO CUCAMONGA	32	28	.533	7.5
Inland Empire	31	29	.517	8.5

** Top two teams qualify for 2021 playoffs, regardless of division

YESTERDAY'S SCORES

Inland Empire 7 RANCHO CUCAMONGA 4 F/11
Lake Elsinore 14 Visalia 3
Fresno 5 Stockton 2
San Jose 9 Modesto 2

TODAY

Inland Empire at RANCHO CUCAMONGA, 6:30 PM
Visalia at Lake Elsinore, 6:35 PM
Fresno at Stockton, 7:05 PM
San Jose at Modesto, 7:05 PM

TOMORROW

Inland Empire at RANCHO CUCAMONGA, 6:30 PM
Visalia at Lake Elsinore, 7:05 PM
Fresno at Stockton, 7:05 PM
San Jose at Modesto, 7:05 PM

2021 QUAKES AT A GLANCE

1st Half Record:	32-27
2nd Half Record:	0-1
vs Inland Empire:	7-5
vs Inland Empire Home:	4-3
vs Inland Empire Road:	3-2
Home Record:	19-12
Road Record:	13-16
Current Streak:	L1

Probable Quakes Lineup

1.	#11	J. Vogel	CF
2.	#14	J. Vivas	2B
3.	#10	E. Leonard	3B
4.	#17	D. Cartaya	C
5.	#6	A. De Jesus	SS
6.	#15	J. DeLuca	DH
7.	#18	I. Vargas	1B
8.	#7	E. Mateo	LF
9.	#8	I. Alcantara	RF
P.	#44	G. Stone	RHP