



RANCHO CUCAMONGA QUAKES

2022 GAME NOTES



LOANMART FIELD

Friday, May 20th, 2022 6:50pm
Game #37, Road Game #19

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Chukchansi Park
Fresno, CA



RANCHO CUCAMONGA QUAKES (20-16)

AT

Fresno Grizzlies (23-13)



RHP Ben Casparius (0-2, 3.66 ERA) vs. RHP Brayan Castillo (0-2, 6.00 ERA)

TODAY'S GAME: The Quakes continue a six-game road trip against the Fresno Grizzlies today, with the fourth game of a six-game set against the Colorado Rockies' Cal League affiliate. The Quakes return home on May 24th to face Visalia.

VS THE GRIZZLIES: This will be the fourth of 12 head-to-head meetings in 2022 between the two clubs and the fourth of six straight at Chukchansi Park. Last season, the Quakes went 2-4 in six head-to-head meetings, all of which were played in Fresno. The Grizzlies will come to LoanMart Field in July for their visit to Rancho in franchise history.

LAST GAME: The Quakes dropped their fifth straight game overall, losing an 8-4 decision in Fresno. Alex De Jesus and Diego Cartaya fueled a four-run fifth inning with run-scoring hits, as the Quakes attempted a come-back, making it 6-4. Fresno's Braxton Fulford answered in the sixth though, as his two-run homer, Fresno's third round-tripper of the night, put it away at 8-4. Fresno reliever Jarrod Cande (1-1) fired four scoreless innings to finish it off, getting the win. Rancho starter Benony Robles (2-2) gave up five runs over just two innings in the loss.

ROUGH STRETCH: Last night's loss was the season-worst fifth straight for Rancho Cucamonga, as they've dropped the first three games of this series. Barring three straight wins to salvage a split, the Quakes will drop their first six-game series and lose their first series since Visalia took two of three over Rancho to open the year. After losing that opening series in Visalia, the Quakes have won three series and split two series, giving them a series-record of 3-1-2 so far.

ONE-SIDED HOME RUN RACE: The Fresno Grizzlies and the Quakes are the top two home run hitting teams in the league, with Fresno having hit eight more round-trippers (47) than Rancho (39) in 36 games. In this series though, the Quakes have been out-homered, 7-0. Juan Guerrero and Juan Brito have each hit two for Fresno. The Grizzlies' home run leader is Hunter Goodman, who has nine long-balls, good enough for third in the league. Diego Cartaya leads the Quakes with eight and is fourth in the league. The league's leading home run hitter is Modesto's Robert Perez with 14.

FALL FROM FIRST: The Quakes' recent skid has seen them fall out of first place in the South Standings, as they now trail Lake Elsinore by one full game. The Storm have been beating up on the Visalia Rawhide this week, winning all three games at Valley Strong Ballpark. The Rawhide will come to Rancho Cucamonga next week, where the Quakes have won five of six.

RECENT ROSTER MOVES: The Quakes' offense took a hit, as outfielder Jose Ramos was promoted to Great Lakes of the Midwest League on Monday. Rated as the 14th-best prospect in the Dodgers' system, Ramos has been an offensive leader for the Quakes in 2022, batting .277 with six homers and 23 RBIs in 28 games. Taking his spot on the roster is Gaige Howard, an infielder who was an undrafted free agent in 2021 out of the University of New Orleans. The Quakes also added RHP Adolfo Ramirez, a member of the 2021 Quakes (1-2, 6.91 ERA, 11 G, 1 GS). Ramirez comes from Great Lakes, where he made just two relief appearances so far in 2022, allowing one run on one hit and two walks, with three strikeouts over 2.2 innings.

LOADED WITH PROSPECTS: The Quakes now have five players that Baseball America and MLB Pipeline have rated as Top-30 within the organization. They are led by the Dodgers' number-one overall prospect, catcher Diego Cartaya. Cartaya broke out in 2021, as he appeared in 31 games with the Quakes, hitting .299 with 10 homers and 31 RBIs, before suffering a season-ending back injury. Cartaya is back in Rancho to at least start the year and is in good health. He's joined by LHP Maddux Bruns (#12), INF Alex De Jesus (#20), OF Luis Rodriguez (#25) and OF Jake Vogel (#29).

BEN CASPARIUS: Right-hander Ben Casparius will make his eighth appearance and his sixth start of the year, his first against Fresno. In his last outing, he allowed three runs (two earned) on just two hits, with seven strikeouts and two walks over 4.2 innings in a loss versus Stockton on May 13. The former UCONN Husky was drafted by the Dodgers in the fifth round of the 2020 draft.

BRAYAN CASTILLO: Right-hander Brayan Castillo makes his seventh start of the year and his first against the Quakes. In his last outing, allowed three runs on four hits over five innings, taking a no-decision at Visalia on May 13. Castillo was signed out of the Dominican Republic in 2017 by Colorado.

BROADCAST HOME: Catch all the 2022 action from the ease of your phone or computer. Listen on your smartphones and smart devices on the iHeartRadio app or the Tune-In Radio app (Keyword: Quakes) or through the MiLB First Pitch app with the "Voice of the Quakes" Mike Lindskog. From your desktop, you can listen by visiting iheart.com, tunein.com or by visiting the Quakes website at rcquakes.com. To listen LIVE at LoanMart Field, bring your FM radio and tune to 91.3 FM.

NEXT HOME GAME: The Quakes return home to LoanMart Field on Tuesday, May 24th for another Healthy RC Recycle Tuesday, as they take on the Visalia Rawhide as part of a six-game series. Get tickets at rcquakes.com.

DIVISION STANDINGS

NORTH	W	L	PCT	GB
San Jose	23	13	.639	-
Fresno	23	13	.639	-
Modesto	15	21	.417	8.0
Stockton	14	22	.389	9.0

SOUTH	W	L	PCT	GB
Lake Elsinore	21	15	.583	-
RANCHO CUCAMONGA	20	16	.556	1.0
Inland Empire	18	18	.500	3.0
Visalia	10	26	.278	11.0

YESTERDAY'S SCORES

RANCHO CUCAMONGA 4 Fresno 8
Lake Elsinore 10 Visalia 8
Modesto 0 Stockton 5
San Jose 9 Inland Empire 3

TODAY

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Modesto at Stockton, 7:05pm
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2022 QUAKES AT A GLANCE

1st Half Record:	20-16
2nd Half Record:	---
vs Fresno:	0-3
vs Fresno Home:	0-0
vs Fresno Road:	0-3
Home Record:	12-6
Road Record:	8-10
Current Streak:	L5

Probable Quakes Lineup

1.	#11	Jake Vogel	CF
2.	#48	Kenneth Betancourt	2B
3.	#3	Yeiner Fernandez	C
4.	#6	Alex De Jesus	DH
5.	#16	Luis Rodriguez	LF
6.	#21	Gaige Howard	RF
7.	#35	Yunior Garcia	1B
8.	#29	Julio Carrion	3B
9.	#7	Luis Diaz	SS
P.	#50	Ben Casparius	RHP

UPCOMING GAMES AND PROBABLES

Date	Opp	Pitching Probables	Time	Radio
5/21	at Fresno	LHP Maddux Bruns vs RHP Victor Juarez	6:50pm	iHeart App / Tune-In App
5/22	at Fresno	RHP Edgardo Henriquez vs LHP Mason Green	1:05pm	iHeart App / Tune-In App
5/24	vs Visalia	LHP Diomedes Sierra vs RHP Jerming Rosario	6:30pm	iHeart App / Tune-In App
5/25	vs Visalia	RHP Josh Swales vs LHP Benony Robles	6:30pm	iHeart App / Tune-In App