

# RANCHO CUCAMONGA QUAKES 2022 GAME NOTES



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LoanMart Field Rancho Cucamonga, CA





# Modesto Nuts (25-17, 55-53)

# AT

RANCHO CUCAMONGA QUAKES (21-21, 57-51)





LHP Jake Miednik (0-1, 9.95 ERA) vs. RHP Joan Valdez (3-1, 3.89 ERA)

**TODAY'S GAME:** The Quakes open a six-game home stand tonight, as they face the Modesto Nuts (Seattle Mariners) in game one of a six-game series here at LoanMart Field. Tonight is another Healthy RC Recycle Tuesday, as fans that visit our website (rcquakes.com) and pledge to recycle ten CRV-eligible bottles and cans will score a free Club Seat to tonight's game. Game time is 6:30pm and tickets are available at rcquakes.com.

**VS THE NUTS:** Today's game is the seventh of 12 head-to-head meetings between the Nuts and Quakes here in 2022 and the first of six games at LoanMart Field, marking Modesto's only trip to Rancho Cucamonga in 2022. The Quakes and Nuts split a six-game series all the way back in April at John Thurman Field in Rancho's lone trip to Modesto.

**LAST GAME:** The Quakes saw their season-best four-game road winning streak come to an end, as they dropped a 9-7 decision to the Lake Elsinore Storm this past Sunday down at The Diamond. Despite out-hitting the Storm 13-5, the Quakes weren't able to overcome eight walks and two hit batters by the pitching staff. The Storm got two hits and three RBIs out of Marcos Castanon and a three-run double by Jared Alvarez-Lopez to highlight their win against Quakes' reliever Martin Santana (4-4), who only retired one batter in relief. Storm reliever Ruben Galindo (4-2) got the win while closer Ben Miller left the tying runs on base in the ninth to earn his sixth save of the year. Dalton Rushing (2) and Bubba Alleyne (1) both went deep for Rancho Cucamonga in the loss.

**HUGE SERIES WIN:** By taking four of six, the Quakes won the series against the Storm, knocking them out of first place in the South Division Second Half standings. The Quakes have only won four road series this year, but two have those have come in Lake Elsinore. Their first road series win actually came in Lake Elsinore back in May. Prior to this last week in Lake Elsinore, Rancho's last road series win was in Visalia in July, when they took two of three.

**DRIVER'S SEAT?:** By winning the series in Lake Elsinore, the Quakes have thrust themselves back in the playoff mix. Entering this Modesto series, the Quakes are three games out of first, behind Inland Empire in the Second Half standings. The quickest route to a playoff berth is to be the Second Half South Champion. But if the Quakes don't win the second half, they'll be rooting for the Storm to repeat after winning the first half. Should the Storm win the second half, the Quakes would simply need to finish with a better overall mark than Inland Empire. Currently, Rancho (57-51) has a one-game advantage overall, over Inland Empire (56-52).

**RECENT ROSTER MOVES:** The Quakes' most recent roster move came on Wednesday afternoon, as right-hander Huei-Sheng Lin was released by the Los Angeles Dodgers. Lin was 1-2 with a 6.71 ERA over 17 games and 52.1 innings. Taking his spot on the roster is RHP Yamil Castillo, who joins the club from the Arizona League, where he rehabbed twice over the last two weeks. Castillo was 3-1 with a 3.15 ERA this year for Rancho over 12 games and 20 innings.

**YUNIOR'S STREAK ENDS:** Yunior Garcia saw his personal 11-game hitting streak come to an end on Saturday night, after going 0-for-4 with a walk. Last week against Inland Empire, Garcia hit .571 (12-for-21) with two homers and eight RBIs in five games. In August, he's hit safely in eight of nine games he's played in. In July, he hit .308 with two homers and 18 RBIs in 21 games. Garcia is tied with Luis Rodriguez on the active roster with ten home runs and has a team-high 68 RBIs.

**JOAN VALDEZ:** Right-hander Joan Valdez will serve as the "opener" tonight, ahead of LHP Benony Robles, who's scheduled to chew up the majority of the innings tonight. Valdez will be making his 32nd overall appearance and his first start. Valdez has pitched in three games against Modesto this year, allowing just one unearned run on one hit over 3.2 innings of work. Valdez was signed by the Dodgers out of the Dominican Republic in 2016.

**JAKE MIEDNIK:** The Nuts will send lefty Jake Miednik to the mound for just the sixth time this year, his fourth start and first appearance against the Quakes. In his last outing overall, he allowed one run on two hits over 3.2 innings in a no-decision vs Visalia on August 10. Miednik was drafted by Cleveland in the 20th round of the 2018 draft out of Florida Atlantic. He was released by Cleveland in June of this year and then signed a free agent contract with Seattle.

**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:** Coming up on Wednesday, it's another Terra Vista Animal Hospital Bark in the Ballpark, as with the purchase of a \$4 Pet Pass, dogs are welcome to LoanMart Field. Tickets are available at rcquakes.com

UPCOMING GAMES AND PROBABLES				
Date	Орр	Pitching Probables	Time	Radio
8/17	vs Modesto	RHP Joseph Hernandez vs LHP Ronan Kopp	6:30pm	iHeart App / Tune-In App
8/18	vs Modesto	RHP Adrian Quintana vs RHP Peter Heubeck	6:30pm	iHeart App / Tune-In App
8/19	vs Modesto	RHP Michael Morales vs LHP Maddux Bruns	6:30pm	iHeart App / Tune-In App
8/20	vs Modesto	RHP Sam Carlson vs RHP Orlando Ortiz	6:30pm	iHeart App / Tune-In App

### SECOND HALF STANDINGS

NORTH	W	L	PCT	GB
Modesto	25	17	.595	-
<b>z</b> Fresno	22	20	.524	3.0
San Jose	21	21	.500	4.0
Stockton	13	29	.310	12.0
SOUTH	W	L	PCT	GB

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Inland Empire	24	18	.571	-
Z Lake Elsinore	23	19	.548	1.0
RANCHO CUCAMONGA	21	21	.500	3.0
Visalia	19	23	.452	5.0

Z - First Half Division Champion

#### **SUNDAY'S SCORES**

RANCHO CUCAMONGA 7 Lake Elsinore 9 Stockton 5 San Jose 6 F/10 Fresno 9 Inland Empire 13 Visalia 14 Modesto 8

## **TODAY'S GAMES**

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

# **TOMORROW'S GAMES**

Inland Empire at San Jose, 1:00pm Modesto at RANCHO CUCAMONGA, 6:30pm Fresno at Visalia, 6:30pm Lake Elsinore at Stockton, 7:05pm

#### 2022 QUAKES AT A GLANCE

1st Half Record:	36-30
2nd Half Record:	21-21
vs Modesto:	3-3
vs Modesto Home:	0-0
vs Modesto Road:	3-3
Home Record:	32-22
Road Record:	25-29
Current Streak:	L1

#### **Probable Quakes Lineup**

	<u>Proba</u>	<u> bie Quakes Lin</u>	eup
1.	#11	Jake Vogel	CF
2.	#13	Bubba Alleyne	RF
3.	#3	Yeiner Fernandez	DH
4.	#22	Dalton Rushing	C
5.	#6	Nick Biddison	3B
6.	#16	Luis Rodriguez	LF
7.	#19	Kyle Nevin	1B
8.	#7	Sean McLain	SS
9.	#46	Taylor Young	2B
P.	#24	Carlos De Los Santos	RHP