



# GAMEDAY INFO & NOTES

Game #56 | July 8, 2021 | PK Park | Eugene, OR

Eugene Emeralds (34-21) vs. Everett AquaSox (35-19)

RHP Conner Nurse (1-4, 5.21 ERA) vs. RHP Levi Stoudt (4-1, 2.98 ERA)

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## LAST TIME OUT

After Eugene won in lopsided fashion on Tuesday, the Frogs returned the favor on Wednesday night behind an eleven-strikeout performance from Matt Brash and an offensive onslaught in the early innings. Everett plated 4 runs in the first inning and another 4 in the third to jump out to a sizeable eight-run margin as Emeralds starting pitcher Aaron Phillips fired a season-low 2.1 IP after firing a season-high 7.0 innings pitched in his prior outing. Sean Roby belted his 6th homer of the season, a solo blast in the fourth that made it 8-1, but that was one of the lone bright spots for the Emeralds who were handed a 10-2 defeat. The Eugene pitching staff as a whole notched 17 strikeouts, 5 of which came from right-hander Austin Reich who retired all 8 AquaSox batters he faced in what was his Emeralds debut.

## TONIGHT'S STORYLINES

Eugene enters today where they entered the series: 1.5 games back of Everett in the High-A West standings. For the third straight night, Everett will be sending one of the Seattle Mariners' top 30 prospects (per MLB.com) to the mound in the form of RHP Levi Stoudt, the 12th ranked prospect in the Seattle system. After going 1-for-3 last night, Ismael Munguia has moved his hit streak up to 7. Nolan Dempsey will be making his Emeralds debut tonight after recently being called up from the ACL, and San Francisco native Robert Emery will get a rare start behind home plate tonight.

## QUICK HITS

### Roster Additions

Over the past two weeks, the San Francisco Giants have made the following roster moves affecting the Eugene Emeralds:

### July 6:

- SS Will Wilson promoted to Double-A Richmond from High-A Eugene.
- OF Diego Rincones promoted to Double-A Richmond from High-A.
- RHP Austin Reich added to Eugene roster from Low-A San Jose.

### July 5:

- INF Nolan Dempsey added to Eugene roster from Giants Black (ACL).

### July 1:

- C Brandon Martorano promoted to Double-A Richmond from High-A Eugene.
- C Brett Auerbach added to Eugene roster from Low-A San Jose.

### June 26:

- C Ricardo Genoves added to Eugene roster from Low-A San Jose.
- C Patrick Bailey optioned from Eugene to ACL Orange.

Wilson and Rincones are the sixth and seventh players to be promoted to Double-A Richmond this season, joining RHP Jose Marte, RHP Caleb Kilian, INF Simon Whiteman, RHP RJ Dabovich, and C Brandon Martorano.

After 49 games as an Emerald, Wilson departs the Northwest currently ranked tied for second in the High-A West in home runs (10), tied for third in extra-base hits (26), fourth in total bases (97), fifth in slugging (.497), tied for sixth in runs scored (37), seventh in doubles (14), tied for eighth in hits (49), and ninth in OPS (.837).

Meanwhile, Rincones leaves Eugene after 25 games as an Emerald having slashed .300/.385/.533 with 5 homers, 6 doubles, 15 RBIs and a .918 OPS. Rincones played just 25 games as an Emerald was not due to injury, but rather due to time spent with the Venezuelan National Team. Rincones, one of three Emeralds to play for their respective national teams this season (OF Ismael Munguia - Nicaragua | RHP Jasier Herrera - Columbia), spent two separate stints with the Venezuelan National Team this summer, first at the WSBC Olympic Qualifying Tournament held in Florida and later at 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.

### Walk This Way

Emeralds 1B Logan Wyatt became the first man in the High-A West to reach 40 BBs last Friday night. Wyatt enters Tuesday ranked T-12th in all of Minor League Baseball in walks, still sitting on 40 BBs after leaving Tuesday's game early due to injury.

### 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 21.1 innings pitched this season between Low-A San Jose and High-A Eugene, Wright has struck out an astounding 46 batters while going 9-for-9 in save opportunities. Wright struck out the side against Everett on Tuesday night against Everett.

### Strikeout Savants

Through 55 games, the Eugene pitching staff leads the High-A West in strikeouts (612). Their 612 collective strikeouts are 19 more than the next closest High-A West team (Everett - 593). But it doesn't stop there... the Emeralds ranked 2nd in all of High-A, too, trailing only the Hudson Valley Renegades (NYY) who have 625. Across all of Minor League Baseball, Eugene's 612 K's rank 7th. Coincidentally, the San Jose Giants (San Francisco - Low A) lead all of Minor League Baseball with 714 K's. Entering Wednesday night, San Jose's 714 K's are 59 more than the next closest team (Modesto Nuts | SEA | Low-A West).

### So Offensive

The Everett offense has been flat-out absurd all season long. Entering Thursday night, the Frogs rank 3rd in all of Minor League Baseball in runs scored (373), 1st in doubles (40), 2nd in on-base percentage (.376), and 9th in OPS (.826).

### Living On The Edge

After falling in extra innings to the Tri-City Dust Devils, 7-6, on May 20, the Emeralds have won ten straight games decided by one run and are now 10-1 in one-run games this season.

### Seattle Mariners Prospect Watch

Simply put, the AquaSox roster is loaded with some of Seattle's top young talent. Per Baseball American, the Frogs started the year with the third-most talented Opening Day roster in ALL of Minor League Baseball. Per MLB.com, Everett boasts 13 of Seattle's top 30 prospects:

- #3 RHP Emerson Hancock
- #4 RHP George Kirby
- #7 RHP Juan Then
- #10 RHP Isaiah Campbell
- #11 OF Zach DeLoach
- #12 RHP Levi Stoudt

## EMS BY THE NUMBERS

Overall	34-21
Home*	17-9
Road	17-12
Neutral	0-0
Day	3-1
Night	31-20

Runs Scored	292
Runs Against	265
Run Differential	+27
Team AVG	.239
Team ERA	4.39
HR for/against	53/46
Strikeouts (pitching)	612
Strikeouts (hitting)	540

Current Streak	L1
Longest W Streak	W8
Longest L Streak	L4

Extra Innings	2-1
Shutouts	2-1
1-Run Games	10-1

May	15-9
June	17-8
July	2-4
August	0-0
September	0-0

Scoring First	24-8
Opponent Scores First	10-13

Monday	0-2
Tuesday	8-1
Wednesday	5-4
Thursday	5-4
Friday	6-3
Saturday	4-5
Sunday	6-2

vs. Everett	1-1
vs. Hillsboro*	9-3
vs. Spokane	3-3
vs. Tri-City	0-0
vs. Vancouver	4-2
at Everett	1-4
at Hillsboro	3-3
at Spokane	5-1
at Tri-City	4-2
at Vancouver	4-2

Series Openers	9-1
Series Finales	6-3

\*Includes doubleheader played in Hillsboro vs. the Hops that was played as a 'home' game for the Emeralds due to schedule conflicts at PK Park with the Oregon Ducks Baseball Team. The EMS dropped both games of that doubleheader.

- #17 3B Austin Shenton
- #22 SS Kaden Polcovich
- #23 RHP Tim Elliott
- #25 3B Tyler Keenan
- #26 RHP Matt Brash
- #29 OF Cade Marlowe
- #30 Taylor Dollard

### SF Giants Prospect Watch

Per MLB.com, the Emeralds boast 5 of the organization's top 30 prospects, 4 of which are active:

- #4 OF Hunter Bishop (7-Day IL)
- #5 LHP Seth Corry
- #17 1B Logan Wyatt
- #18 RHP Kai-Wei Teng
- #28 C Ricardo Genoves

### Olympic Ems

Diego Rincones and the Venezuelan National Team's bid to make the Olympics came up just short on Saturday, with Venezuela falling to the Dominican Republic, 8-5, in the WBC Baseball Final Qualifier held in Mexico. Rincones made his mark in the Final Qualifier, belting a three-run homer in the 2nd inning to put Venezuela up 3-0 at the time but a six-run 4th inning, helped the Dominican Republic roar back and hold on late for the win. During the

## HIGH-A WEST STANDINGS

	W	L	PCT.	GB	RF	RA
Everett	35	19	.648	-	373	223
Eugene	34	21	.618	1.5	292	265
Vancouver	28	28	.500	8.0	288	295
Spokane	26	30	.464	10.0	254	267
Hillsboro	23	31	.426	12.0	225	273
Tri-City	19	36	.345	16.5	193	302

Final Qualifier, Rincones went 3-for-14 (.214) with 5 RBI, a double, and a HR in 4 games played. Rincones and two of his current teammates - RHP Jasier Herrera and OF Ismael Munguia - also each recently 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. Led team in AVG.
- Rincones (Venezuela): 5 games | 4-for-19 (.211), 1 2B, 1 HR, 2 R | Hit walk-off HR vs. Columbia in bottom of 9th.

## HIGH-A WEST TRANSACTIONS

### July 8:

- 1B Jacob Gonzalez assigned to ACL Giants Black (ROK) from Eugene Emeralds.

### July 7:

- Eugene Emeralds released RHP John Timmins.

### July 6:

- Tri-City Dust Devils placed RHP Dylan King on the 7-day injured list.
- SS Will Wilson assigned to Richmond Flying Squirrels from Eugene Emeralds.
- LHP Bryan Valdez assigned to Amarillo Sod Poodles (AA) from Hillsboro Hops.
- LHP Nick Bush assigned to Hartford Yard Goats (AA) from Spokane Indians.
- RHP Stephen Jones assigned to Spokane Indians from Fresno Grizzlies (Low-A).
- 3B LJ Hatch assigned to Spokane Indians from Hartford Yard Goats (AA).
- LHP Breiling Eusebio assigned to Spokane Indians from Fresno Grizzlies (Low-A).
- Tacoma Rainiers (AAA) sent RHP Bryan Pall on a rehab assignment to Everett AquaSox.
- RHP Austin Reich assigned to Eugene Emeralds from San Jose Giants.
- LF Diego Rincones assigned to Richmond Flying Squirrels from Eugene Emeralds.

### July 5:

- 2B Nolan Dempsey assigned to Eugene Emeralds from ACL Giants Black.

### July 3:

- Everett AquaSox placed RHP Brendan McGuigan on the 7-day injured list.
- Vancouver Canadians placed CF Cameron Eden on the 7-day injured list.
- Arizona Diamondbacks sent RHP Taylor Widener on a rehab assignment to Hillsboro Hops.

## TODAY'S PROBABLE STARTERS

### #35 Conner Nurse (RHP)

Height: 6'6 Weight: 210 lbs Acquired: Round 34 (2017)  
 Hometown: Winter Garden, FL School: Ridge HS (FL)  
 Born: July 31, 1999 (21)

throughout. Primary righthanded pitcher, steady tempo to delivery throughout, shows balance and ability to repeat, leading to lots of strikes. Medium arm stroke through the back, work to a near over-the-top release point, does a nice job of working on top of the ball to generate nice angle on fastball. Topped out at 90 mph, mostly true in life, tough pitch to elevate due to plane. Curveball shows hammer depth at 79 mph from similar release point, present strikeout pitch and will manipulate shape/velocity to pitch early in count. Has confidence and feel in his changeup, occasional hard fading life at 74 mph, projects with additional arm speed. Nice feel for a full arsenal and throws off speed pitches for strikes regularly. Righthanded hitter, wide base in the box with a short and inside swing path. Looks to lift and pull the ball, can turn on inner half pitch and flashes pop off the barrel. Named to World Showcase Top Prospect List. Good student. Committed to Seminole State College of Florida."

**PITCHES:** 4-Seam Fastball, 2-Seam Fastball, Cutter, Slider, Splitter

**BIO:** Signed for \$250,000, \$125,000 over slot. Did not pitch during the 2017 season due to a right rotator cuff strain. Did not pitch during the 2017 season due to a right rotator cuff strain. Just 21-years old, Nurse is pitching in his first full season of pro ball after spending 2018 in Rookie-ball down in Arizona, then splitting time between Arizona and the short-season Northwest league in 2019. Per Perfect Game coming out of high school: "Extra-large, athletic frame with broad shoulders and long limbs, leaner build with room to fill but also has present strength

W	L	ERA	G	GS	CG	SHO	SV	SVO	IP	H	R	ER	HR	HB	BB	IBB	K	AVG	WP
1	4	5.21	10	10	0	0	0	0	48.1	50	30	28	8	1	24	0	44	.272	2

### #12 Levi Stoudt (RHP)

Height: 6'1 Weight: 195 lbs Acquired: Round 3 (2019)  
 Hometown: Pottstown, PA School: Lehigh  
 Born: December 4, 1997 (23)

... participated in Mariners Player Development Fall League, where he struck out 10 batters and walked 3/9 innings. Per MLB.com: "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."

**PITCHES:** 4-Seam Fastball, Slider, Curveball, Changeup

**Notes:** #12 prospect in Seattle Mariners system, per MLB.com. His fastball sat 93-94 mph and touched as high as 97 during instructs ... His best secondary pitch 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

W	L	ERA	G	GS	CG	SHO	SV	SVO	IP	H	R	ER	HR	HB	BB	IBB	K	AVG	WP
4	1	2.98	9	9	0	0	0	0	45.1	32	17	15	3	4	28	0	48	.200	11

## UPCOMING SCHEDULE & PROBABLE PITCHING MATCHUPS

DATE	TIME	OPPONENT	EMERALDS STARTER	OPPONENT STARTER
Friday, July 9	7:05pm PST	Everett AquaSox	RHP Kai-Wei Teng	RHP Tim Elliott
Saturday, July 10	7:05pm PST	Everett AquaSox	TBD Opener, then RHP Nick Avila	RHP George Kirby
Sunday, July 11	5:05pm PST	Everett AquaSox	LHP Seth Corry	RHP Taylor Dollard
Tuesday, July 13	7:05pm PST	@Spokane Indians	RHP Aaron Phillips	TBD
Wednesday, July 14	7:05pm PST	@Spokane Indians	RHP Conner Nurse	TBD
Thursday, July 15	7:05pm PST	@Spokane Indians	RHP Kai-Wei Teng	TBD