



# RANCHO CUCAMONGA QUAKES 2024 GAME NOTES



LOANMART FIELD

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Game #27, Road Game #17

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Valley Strong Ballpark  
Visalia, CA



RANCHO CUCAMONGA QUAKES (15-11)

AT

Visalia Rawhide (12-15)



RHP Patrick Copen (1-2, 5.17 ERA) vs. LHP Caden Grice (1-1, 4.11 ERA)

**TODAY'S GAME:** Your Rancho Cucamonga Quakes continue a 12-game road trip with game two of a six-game series against the Visalia Rawhide (AZ) at Valley Strong Ballpark. At the completion of this six-game set, the Quakes will return to LoanMart Field on Tuesday, May 14, hosting the Inland Empire 66ers.

**VS THE RAWHIDE:** Today's game is the second of 30 meetings between the two clubs in 2024 and the second of 15 at Valley Strong Ballpark. Last season, the Quakes went 17-13 against the Rawhide, 10-8 here at Valley Strong Ballpark.

**LAST GAME:** The Quakes fell a run short on Tuesday afternoon in Visalia, dropping a 5-4 decision to the Rawhide. Jordan Thompson had three hits and slugged two home runs (4, 5), but the rest of the Rancho offense was stymied, leaving eight men on base. Visalia reliever Hayden Durke (1-0) was credited with the win, while Yodin Chalas notched his third save of the year. Rancho starter Payton Martin (0-1) allowed two runs on six hits over just 2.2 innings, suffering the loss, the sixth in seven games on this road trip for the Quakes. The loss for the Quakes is their second straight overall and trims their lead over second-place Lake Elsinore down to three games.

**BAD TIMING:** The Quakes are in the midst of their worst stretch of baseball in 2024, as they've dropped six of their last seven, all on this current road trip. Injuries to key players have played a huge role, as Joe Vetrano, Josue De Paula and Zyhir Hope have all missed time on the current trip. De Paula was activated during the Modesto series and Vetrano makes his return to the lineup today. Hope is still on the Injured List with a shoulder injury. Logan Wagner has not played in a game since May 1, but is also not on the Injured List, after suffering several "hit-by-pitches" to the same area of his right leg.

**"AIR" JORDAN:** Jordan Thompson was a bright spot in Tuesday's loss to the Rawhide, finishing with three hits, including a pair of home runs. Thompson became the second Quake this year to record a multi-homer game, joining Jeral Perez who slugged a pair on April 20 at Inland Empire. Thompson has three homers in his last two games and has taken over the team lead with five round-trippers on the year and is now the "active" team leader with 15 RBIs. Jake Gelof, who was promoted to Great Lakes on Tuesday, leads the club overall with 26 RBIs, second in the league.

**ROSTER MOVES:** The Quakes made a pair of moves earlier today, as 1B Joe Vetrano was activated from the Injured List. RHP Carlos Duran was placed on the Development List in order to make room for Vetrano, who's been out since April 25 with a right shoulder injury. On Tuesday, 3B Jake Gelof was promoted to High-A Great Lakes of the Midwest League. Gelof was spectacular to start the year, leading the team in several offensive categories. Taking his spot on the roster will be infielder Oswaldo Ozorio, who opened the year on the Rancho roster, but was sent to Arizona just a few days into the season.

**PATRICK COPEN:** Right-hander Patrick Copen makes his fifth start and sixth appearance of the year, his first against the Rawhide. In his last outing overall, he allowed four runs on five hits over 3.2 innings in a loss at Modesto on May 2. In 2023, Copen made two starts for Rancho and also made two appearances in the playoffs. He was drafted by the Dodgers in the seventh round of the 2023 draft out of Marshall.

**CADEN GRICE:** Left-hander Caden Grice will make his fifth start and sixth appearance of the year, his first against the Quakes. In his last outing overall, he allowed one run on three hits over four innings in a loss at Stockton on May 1. Grice was drafted by Arizona as a competitive balance pick (#64 overall) out of Clemson in the 2023 draft.

**BROADCAST HOME:** Catch all the 2024 action with the "Voice of the Quakes" Mike Lindskog, from the ease of your phone, smart device or computer. Listen on the iHeartRadio app, the Tune-In Radio app (Keyword: Quakes) or through the MILB First Pitch app. From your computer, you can listen by visiting iheart.com, tunein.com or by visiting the Quakes website at rcquakes.com. To listen LIVE at LoanMart Field, tune your portable FM radio to 91.3 FM. Home games are now available to WATCH for free via the Bally Live app!

**NEXT HOME GAME:** The Quakes return to LoanMart Field on Tuesday, May 14 to take on division-rival Inland Empire for a Healthy RC Recycle Tuesday. Visit our website and learn how to score a FREE Club Seat ticket. Get tickets at rcquakes.com.

### 1st HALF DIVISION STANDINGS

NORTH	W	L	PCT	GB
Modesto	20	6	.769	-
Fresno	15	12	.556	5.5
San Jose	13	14	.481	7.5
Stockton	11	15	.423	9.0

SOUTH	W	L	PCT	GB
RANCHO CUCAMONGA	15	10	.577	-
Lake Elsinore	11	15	.462	3.0
Visalia	11	14	.444	3.5
Inland Empire	8	18	.296	7.5

### YESTERDAY'S GAMES

RANCHO CUCAMONGA 4 Visalia 5  
Inland Empire 4 Lake Elsinore 5  
Modesto 5 Fresno 2  
Stockton 5 San Jose 0

### TODAY'S GAMES

Inland Empire at Lake Elsinore, 6:05pm  
RANCHO CUCAMONGA at Visalia, 6:30pm  
Stockton at San Jose, 6:30pm  
Modesto at Fresno, 6:50pm

### TOMORROW'S GAMES

Inland Empire at Lake Elsinore, 6:05pm  
RANCHO CUCAMONGA at Visalia, 6:30pm  
Stockton at San Jose, 6:30pm  
Modesto at Fresno, 6:50pm

### 2024 QUAKES AT A GLANCE

1st Half Record:	15-11
vs Visalia:	0-1
vs Visalia at home:	0-0
vs Visalia on road:	0-1
Home Record:	8-2
Road Record:	7-9
Extra Inning Record:	0-1
One-Run Games:	1-2
Shutouts	2-0
Longest Winning Streak:	7
Longest Losing Streak:	4
Current Streak:	L2
Largest Division Lead	4.5

### Probable Quakes Lineup

1.	#7	Kendall George	CF
2.	#27	Josue De Paula	RF
3.	#23	Jeral Perez	2B
4.	#9	Jordan Thompson	DH
5.	#30	Joe Vetrano	1B
6.	#57	Sean McLain	SS
7.	#5	Juan Alonso	LF
8.	#51	Carlos Rojas	C
9.	#13	Wilman Diaz	3B
P.	#25	Patrick Copen	RHP

### UPCOMING GAMES AND PROBABLES

Date	Opp	Pitching Probables	Time	Radio/TV
5/9	at Visalia	RHP Jose Rodriguez at RHP Jacob Steinmetz	6:30pm	iHeart, Tune-In
5/10	at Visalia	RHP Cam Day at RHP Roman Angelo	6:30pm	iHeart, Tune-In
5/11	at Visalia	RHP Gabe Emmett at RHP Denny Larrondo	6:30pm	iHeart, Tune-In
5/12	at Visalia	TBD at LHP Adonys Perez	12:05pm	iHeart, Tune-In