



GAMEDAY INFO & NOTES

Game #54 | July 6, 2021 | PK Park | Eugene, OR

Eugene Emeralds (33-20) vs. Everett AquaSox (34-18)

LHP Seth Corry (2-2, 4.79 ERA) vs. RHP Juan Then (2-1, 5.56 ERA)

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LAST TIME OUT

Eugene's skid hit three on Independence Day, just barely avoiding what would have been their second shutout loss of the season with a ninth-inning run in what was a 6-1 defeat. Eugene surrendered 3 HRs on the day and trailed from the start, with Hillsboro taking a 1-0 lead in the first inning and never looking back. The loss capped a frustrating series split that saw the Emeralds win the first three games of the series - pushing their win streak over the Hops to 10 in the process - only to lose the final three contests to fall out of first place for the first time since June 16.

TONIGHT'S STORYLINES

It's a matchup of top organizational pitching prospects in Eugene's LHP Seth Corry, the 5th ranked prospect in the San Francisco Giants system, and Everett's RHP Juan Then, the 7th ranked prospect in the Seattle Mariners system. Corry continues to be virtually unhittable, but despite that he has still struggled to get deep into ballgames, having thrown 5.0 innings just twice in ten starts. His 68 strikeouts rank 3rd in all of High-A, but his 42 walks are the second-most in all of Minor League Baseball. Corry's only previous outing against Everett three weeks ago was an emblematic of his season thus far, holding the potent AquaSox lineup to just one hit over 4.2 innings but hitting three batters and walking four more while allowing two runs (one earned). Then, meanwhile, had a decent start in his only prior appearance against Eugene, earning the win over a 5.0 inning performance while allowing four hits, four walks and three earned runs with four strikeouts.

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-10th in all of Minor League Baseball in walks, tied with Adley Rutschman of the Bowie Baysox.

Roby Rolls Into Two Outs

Emeralds 3B Sean Roby ranked T-1st in all of High-A in GIDP, tied with Josh Breaux of the Hudson Valley Renegades and Blaine Crim of the Hickory Crawdads with 7.

Corry Is A Conundrum

Emeralds LHP Seth Corry continues to be one of the more confounding arms in all of Minor League Baseball. Entering Saturday, Corry ranked 3rd all of High-A in K's (68) while posting a OPP AVG of .188. However, Corry also ranks 2nd in High-A in hit batters (11) while issuing the second-most walks (42) in all of Minor League Baseball, trailing only Levi Prater of the Palm Beach Cardinals (Low-A).

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 20.1 innings pitched this season between Low-A San Jose and High-A Eugene, Wright has struck out an astounding 43 batters while going 9-for-9 in save opportunities.

Strikeout Savants

Through 53 games, the Eugene pitching staff leads the High-A West in strikeouts (582). Their 582 collective strikeouts are 15 more than the next closest High-A West team (Everett - 567). But it doesn't stop there... the Emeralds ranked 3rd in all of High-A, too, trailing only the Hickory Crawdads (TEX) who have 586 and the Hudson Valley Renegades (NYY) who have 602. Across all of Minor League Baseball, Eugene's 582 K's rank 12th. Coincidentally, the San Jose Giants (San Francisco - Low A) lead all of Minor League Baseball with 694 K's. San Jose's 694 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 Tuesday, the Frogs rank 3rd in all of Minor League Baseball in runs scored (360), 1st in doubles (133), 3rd in on-base percentage (.377), and 8th in OPS (.828).

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.

EMS BY THE NUMBERS

Overall	33-20
Home*	16-8
Road	17-12
Neutral	0-0
Day	3-1
Night	30-19

Runs Scored	281
Runs Against	252
Run Differential	+29
Team AVG	.236
Team ERA	4.31
HR for/against	51/46
Strikeouts (pitching)	582
Strikeouts (hitting)	514

Current Streak	L3
Longest W Streak	W8
Longest L Streak	L4
Extra Innings	2-1
Shutouts	2-1
I-Run Games	10-1

May	15-9
June	17-8
July	1-3
August	0-0
September	0-0

Scoring First	23-8
Opponent Scores First	10-12

Monday	0-2
Tuesday	7-1
Wednesday	5-3
Thursday	5-4
Friday	6-3
Saturday	4-5
Sunday	6-2

vs. Everett	0-0
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	8-1
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 Emeralds dropped both games of that doubleheader.

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
- #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

Former Emerald Trea Turner Hits For Cycle... Again

Washington Nationals infielder and former Emerald (2014) Trea Turner became the first player in the modern era to hit for the cycle on his birthday, doing so on what was his 28th birthday on Wednesday, June 30 against the Tampa Bay Rays. He also became just the fifth player in Major League history to his for THREE cycles, joining Adrian Beltre, Babe Herman, Bob Meusel, and John Reilly.

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 WBSC 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 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

HIGH-A WEST STANDINGS

	W	L	PCT.	GB	RF	RA
Everett	34	18	.654	-	360	212
Eugene	33	20	.623	1.5	281	252
Vancouver	27	27	.500	8.0	277	289
Spokane	25	29	.463	10.0	248	256
Hillsboro	22	30	.423	12.0	214	263
Tri-City	18	35	.340	16.5	183	291

- 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.

TODAY'S PROBABLE STARTERS

#14 Seth Corry (LHP)

Height: 6'2 Weight: 195 lbs Acquired: Round 3 (2017)
 Hometown: Alpine, UT School: Lone Peak HS (UT)
 Born: November 3, 1998 (22)

(172, fourth), strikeout rate (12.6 per nine innings, fifth), whiff rate (34 percent, fifth) and opponent average (.171, third). The Giants didn't bring their young pitchers to their alternate site last summer, so he worked out at home before reporting to instructional league. Corry has three solid or better offerings, highlighted by an upper-70s curveball with downer action that he often commands better than his fastball. His heater usually operates in the low 90s and tops out at 96 mph with arm-side run, though he worked at 93-95 in shorter stints during instructional league. He made significant improvements with his changeup in 2019, which helped him do a better job of keeping right-handers in check. Corry finished strong in 2019 once he developed a better and more consistent tempo in his delivery, reducing his walk rate to 2.6 per nine innings in the second half from 6.2 earlier in his career. He does throw with some effort but has the athleticism to make it work. He elicits comparisons to a young Matt Moore, who like Corry repeated Rookie ball and needed time to learn to harness his stuff."

PITCHES: 4-Seam Fastball, 2-Seam Fastball, Curveball, Changeup

BIO: #5 ranked prospect in the San Francisco Giants system per MLB.com. Per MLB.com: "An all-state safety as a Utah prepster, Corry tore the anterior cruciate ligament in his knee playing football as a junior but rebounded in 2017 to become the state's best high school prospect since Mark Pawelek was a Cubs first-rounder in 2005. Signed for a well-over-slot \$1 million as a third-rounder, Corry broke out in the second half of 2019 and won low Class A South Atlantic League pitcher of the year honors after leading the circuit in ERA (1.76, second in the Minors), strikeouts

W	L	ERA	G	GS	CG	SHO	SV	SVO	IP	H	R	ER	HR	HB	BB	IBB	K	AVG	WP
2	2	4.79	10	10	0	0	0	0	41.1	26	26	22	2	11	42	0	68	.188	35

#33 Juan Then (RHP)

Height: 6'1 Weight: 155 lbs Acquired: Trade (NYY)
 Hometown: San Francisco de Macoris, Dominican Republic
 Born: February 7, 2000 (21)

stuff had improved dramatically since they first got him, beginning with a fastball that keeps growing, from the low 90s initially to up to 100 mph as recently as the Arizona fall developmental league last fall. When it's at its best, it misses bats and has good riding life to it. Then's best secondary pitch is his hard slider that can serve as an out pitch. He has a changeup that shows flashes of being a good pitch, but he doesn't always throw it with conviction and it's often too firm. Dipoto said that no player in Seattle's farm system took a bigger step forward in 2020 than Then - even among the big league roster. Then, who was added to the 40-man roster to protect him from December's Rule 5 Draft, spent last season at big league Summer Camp, then alternate training site, then in Arizona in the fall, where he continued to develop his slider that could be a true plus pitch. There's hope that will get better as he continues to add strength and that he can slow down his changeup to separate from his fastball enough for him to remain a starter. With his status on the 40-man, Then could be in the Majors sooner than later."

PITCHES: 4-Seam Fastball, Slider, Changeup

Notes: #7 ranked prospect in Seattle Mariners system. Per MLB.com, "Mariners GM Jerry Dipoto admired Then so much that he acquired him twice. The righty initially signed with the organization for \$77,500 in July 2016 but was traded to the Yankees in November 2017 after he had made his pro debut in the Dominican Summer League. But when the Mariners dealt Edwin Encarnacion to the Yankees in June 2019, they centered their return on Then. He pitched his way from short-season to full-season ball for the first time after the trade. The pitcher they got back was one whose

W	L	ERA	G	GS	CG	SHO	SV	SVO	IP	H	R	ER	HR	HB	BB	IBB	K	AVG	WP
2	1	5.56	8	8	0	0	0	0	34.0	33	22	21	4	1	15	0	32	.252	3

UPCOMING SCHEDULE & PROBABLE PITCHING MATCHUPS

DATE	TIME	OPPONENT	EMERALDS STARTER	OPPONENT STARTER
Wednesday, July 7	7:05pm PST	Everett AquaSox	RHP Aaron Phillips	RHP Matt Brash
Thursday, July 8	7:05pm PST	Everett AquaSox	RHP Conner Nurse	RHP Levi Stoudt
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	TBD	TBD