



Thursday, June 12, 2025 6:35pm Game #60, Road Game #33

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RANCHO CUCAMONGA QUAKES (34-25) Inland Empire 66ers (17-42)





RHP Christian Zazueta (5-2, 2.84 ERA) vs. RHP Nixon Encarnacion (0-0, 7.24 ERA)

TODAY'S GAME: The Quakes continue a six-game road trip with the third game of a six-game series against the Inland Empire 66ers (Angels). The Quakes will return to LoanMart Field on June 17th, when they host the Lake Elsinore Storm as part of the final home stand of the first half. Tickets are available at rcquakes.com.

VS THE 66ERS: Today's game is the 15th of 24 between these two teams in 2025 and the ninth of 12 here at San Manuel Stadium. The Quakes have taken five of six in both series so far against the 66ers, but after splitting the first two of this set, have an 11-3 mark against the 66ers. In 2024, Rancho went 10-2 at San Manuel Stadium, 17-7 overall. LAST GAME: The Quakes ended an eight-game skid with an 11-6 win over the Inland Empire 66ers on Wednesday night at San Manuel Stadium. Elijah Hainline had two hits, including a homer (4) and drove in four runs to lead Rancho's 10-hit offensive attack. Jose Meza also had two hits and reached safely five times. Quakes' starter Logan Tabeling (4-1) went a career-high five innings, allowing one run on six hits. The Quakes stole eight bases for a second straight night. Inland Empire starter Brandon Dufault (0-1) struggled with his command and was charged with four runs over one-plus inning in the loss. The win is just Rancho's sixth in their last 20 games overall.

GETTING CLOSER...: Rancho's win on Wednesday night not only ended their longest losing streak since 2014, when they had losing streaks of both nine and ten, it inched them closer to wrapping up the First Half South Division. With seven games left to play in the first half, the Quakes have a four-game lead over Visalia and a six-game lead over Lake Elsinore. Rancho's magic number is three to eliminate the Rawhide and just two against the Storm, meaning with two more Rancho wins and one Visalia loss over the next two days, the Quakes could clinch as early as Friday night. After this six-game set with Inland Empire, the Quakes will finish the half at home with three against Lake Elsinore. In the north, San Jose's lead over Modesto now stands at just one game with seven to go.

CLEAN SWEEP OF MONTHLY AWARDS: The Quakes have continued their dominance of California League awards in 2025, as a pair of Quakes were honored last week. OF Eduardo Quintero was named the Player of the Month for May, while RHP Christian Zazueta was named Pitcher of the Month. Quintero's May was outstanding, as he batted .391 and led all of minor league baseball in hits (43). He led the league in doubles (10), triples (4), RBIs (28), stolen bases (15), slugging (.718) and OPS (1.195). Zazueta went 3-0 with a 1.80 ERA in six starts. His 31 strikeouts over 30 innings led the league. Sean Paul Linan was named April's Cal League Pitcher of the Month, before heading to High-A CHRISTIAN ZAZUETA: 20-year-old right-hander Christian Zazueta makes his 12th start of the year and his fourth against Inland Empire. In three starts against the 66ers, he's 3-0 with a 1.69 ERA, allowing three earned runs on eight hits over 16 innings. In his last start, he allowed a season-worst five runs on eight hits over just 3.1 innings in a loss to San Jose on June 6th. Last year in Rancho, Zazueta went 1-5 with a 6.36 ERA over 14 games (11 starts) and 52.1 innings. Zazueta, who was named this past Thursday as the Cal League Pitcher of the Month for May, signed with the Yankees in 2022 out of Mexico and then was traded to the Dodgers in February of 2024 in the trade that saw former Quake Caleb Ferguson go to the Yankees.

NIXON ENCARNACION: 20-year-old right-hander Nixon Encarnacion makes his second start for the 66ers and fourth appearance against the Quakes. In three relief outings against Rancho, he's 0-0 with a 3.38 ERA across just 2.2 innings. He last pitched on June 5th, when he started at Visalia and allowed two runs on three hits over 2.2 innings in a no-decision. Encarnacion was signed by the Angels in January of 2022 out of the Dominican Republic.

BROADCAST HOME: Catch all the 2025 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 requakes.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 are on the road this week in San Bernardino, then return home on Tuesday, June 17th, as they'll face the Storm in the final three games of the first half, part of a six-game home stand. Tuesday the 17th will be another Healthy RC Recycle Tuesday. Log on to RCQuakes.com to learn how to get a free ticket!

| UPCOMING GAMES AND PROBABLES | | | | |
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| Date | Opp | Pitching Probables | Time | Radio/TV |
| 6/13 | at Inland Empire | LHP Sterling Patick at RHP Chris Clark | 6:35pm | iHeart, Tune-IN |
| 6/14 | at Inland Empire | RHP Aidan Foeller at LHP Francis Texido | 6:35pm | iHeart, Tune-In |
| 6/15 | at Inland Empire | LHP Jakob Wright at RHP Peyton Olejnik | 2:05pm | iHeart, Tune-In |
| 6/17 | vs Lake Elsinore | TBD at RHP Logan Tabeling | 6:30pm | iHeart, Tune-In/MILB.TV |

FIRST HALF DIVISION STANDINGS

| NORTH | \mathbf{W} | L | PCT | GB |
|----------|--------------|----|------|------|
| San Jose | 36 | 23 | .610 | - |
| Modesto | 35 | 24 | .593 | 1.0 |
| Stockton | 30 | 29 | .508 | 6.0 |
| Fresno | 26 | 33 | .441 | 10.0 |

| SOUTH | W | L | PCT | GB |
|------------------|----|----|------|------|
| Rancho Cucamonga | 34 | 25 | .576 | - |
| Visalia | 30 | 29 | .508 | 4.0 |
| Lake Elsinore | 28 | 31 | .475 | 6.0 |
| Inland Empire | 17 | 42 | .288 | 17.0 |

- \$ First Half Division Champions
- # Second Half Division Champions

YESTERDAY'S GAMES

Visalia 3 Lake Elsinore 4 Stockton 6 San Jose 3 RANCHO CUCAMONGA 11 Inland Empire 6 Modesto 3 Fresno 5

TODAY'S GAMES

Visalia at Lake Elsinore, 6:05pm Stockton at San Jose, 6:30pm RANCHO CUCAMONGA at Inland Empire, 6:35pm Modesto at Fresno, 6:50pm

TOMORROW'S GAMES

Visalia at Lake Elsinore, 6:05pm Stockton at San Jose, 6:30pm RANCHO CUCAMONGA at Inland Empire, 6:35pm Modesto at Fresno, 6:50pm

2025 QUAKES AT A GLANCE

| 1st Half Record: | 34-25 |
|---------------------------|-------|
| 2nd Half Record: | |
| vs: Inland Empire | 11-3 |
| vs Inland Empire at home: | 5-1 |
| vs Inland Empire on road: | 6-2 |
| Home Record: | 17-10 |
| Road Record: | 17-15 |
| Extra Inning Record: | 1-2 |
| One-Run Games: | 4-4 |
| Shutouts: | 5-3 |
| Longest Winning Streak: | 8 |
| Longest Losing Streak: | 8 |
| Current Streak: | W1 |
| Largest Division Lead: | 11.0 |
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| | Proba | ble Quakes Lii | neup |
| 1. | #46 | Eduardo Quintero | CF |
| 2. | #41 | Jaron Elkins | RF |
| 3. | #23 | Samuel Munoz | LF |
| 4. | #27 | Jose Meza | 1B |
| 5. | #9 | Mairo Martinus | 3B |
| 6. | #10 | Niko Perez | 2B |
| 7. | #7 | Elijah Hainline | SS |
| 8. | #35 | Jackson Nicklaus | DH |
| 9. | #16 | Gio Cueto | C |
| P. | #45 | Christian Zazueta | RH |
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