



# RANCHO CUCAMONGA QUAKES 2021 GAME NOTES



LOANMART FIELD

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Game #70, Road Game #34

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Valley Strong Ballpark  
Visalia, CA

## RANCHO CUCAMONGA QUAKES (38-31)

AT

## Visalia Rawhide (16-54)

RHP Carlos Duran (2-2, 3.94 ERA) vs. LHP Avery Short (0-2, 14.73 ERA)

**TODAY'S GAME:** The Quakes are going for their fifth straight win against the Visalia Rawhide tonight. The Quakes have used this current win streak to make up ground on San Jose in the Low-A West playoff race. The Quakes have scored nine runs in each of their last three games against the Rawhide. Rancho will again battle the heat and the Rawhide for their fifth win of the series.

**LAST NIGHT'S GAME:** The Quakes put last night's game away in the later innings, as they finished off a series clinching win against Visalia by a 9-1 final. Rancho struck first on a double by Sam McWilliams, and he came around to score on a pair of wild pitches from starter Marcos Tineo. Rancho added on with a two-run home run courtesy of Imanol Vargas to make it 3-0 after two innings. Braydon Fisher made just his second start of the season for Rancho, and after a leadoff single and walk in the first, the Rawhide went hitless for the remainder of Fisher's start. Braydon went four innings without allowing a run and striking out seven batters. The Rawhide pushed their lone run across in the sixth inning against Kendall Williams. The Quakes responded with two runs in the seventh inning to push their lead to 5-1. Rancho put the game out of reach with four more runs in the eighth inning, as they benefited from three walks in the inning and a two-run homer from Sam McWilliams. The Rawhide pitching staff walked a total of 12 Rancho batters, seven of which came in the seventh and eighth innings.

**HOME RUNS KEEP FLYING:** Rancho leads the league in home runs with 102 long balls on the season. The Quakes have continued to utilize the home run this series in Visalia. Rancho has blasted 8 homers in the series through the first four games. Eddys Leonard has tallied three homers of his own, and now leads the team with 13 home runs on the year.

**BULLPEN HEATING UP:** The Quakes bullpen had a tough series against the 66ers, as they allowed 30 runs over the six games. During this series however, the Quakes bullpen has been far more effective in protecting leads. Over the first four games of the series, the Quakes bullpen has pitched 24 innings through the first four games of the series. The bullpen has yielded just 11 runs, and six of which were scored in the first game of the series.

**LEAGUE LEADERS:** The Quakes have a pair of league leading players on their roster at the moment. Hyun-Il Choi leads the Low-A West in wins with eight on the season. Choi also leads the league with a 3.10 ERA, a 0.79 WHIP and a batting average against off .195. On the offensive side of the ball Jorbit Vivas leads the Low-A West in runs batted in with 55. The Quakes as a team lead the league in several offensive categories. Rancho is tops in the league in runs scored, home runs, RBIs, slugging percentage, OPS, and are tied for the league lead in doubles.

**ROSTER MOVES:** Jonny DeLuca, who led the Quakes in home runs with 15 as been called up to High-A Great Lakes. With the call-up of DeLuca the Quakes have brought up Jose Ramos from the Arizona Complex League.

**DODGERS UPDATE:** The Dodgers fell last night to the Colorado Rockies in the first game of the series. The Dodgers have now dropped three games in a row, and still sit three games back of San Francisco in the NL West standings.

**PLAYOFFS? YES, PLAYOFFS!:** At the beginning of the 2021 season, it was understood that there would be no playoffs across the country for all of Minor League Baseball, due to the ongoing global pandemic. Major League Baseball will now implement a "revised" playoff plan, allowing each league to crown a champion with a playoff series. The playoffs will be shortened to a single series, that features the top two teams (by record), regardless of division. The top two teams in all of Low-A West currently reside up North, where Fresno has a four-game lead over San Jose. The Quakes have now moved into third in the playoff race, and are currently 9.5 games back of Fresno and 5.5 out of a playoff spot with 50 games remaining in the 120-game season. The 2022 season will see the league move to a 132-game schedule and the first-half and second-half winners of each respective division meet in the playoffs.

**CARLOS DURAN:** Rancho will look to make it five in a row with Carlos Duran taking to the hill for tonight's game. This will be the 12th start of the season for Duran. In his last start, Carlos allowed two runs on four hits over 4.1 innings against the Inland Empire 66ers. Duran got his first win of the season in his lone start against the Visalia Rawhide back on June 19th. Duran held the Rawhide offense to no runs on just three hits over five innings while striking out four batters.

**EVERY SHORT:** Visalia will try to keep the Quakes offense quiet today with Avery Short taking to the mound. Short will be making just his sixth appearance and fifth start of the season. Short pitched a season high four innings against the Lake Elsinore Storm, and he allowed two runs over four hits in that appearance. Short will be making his first start of the season against the Quakes, who are yet to score less than nine runs in any of the first four games of the series. Avery Short was drafted in the 12th round by the Diamondbacks in 2019 out of Southport High School in Indianapolis, Indiana.

**NEW RADIO HOME:** Throughout the 2021 season, you can catch all the action from the ease of your phone or computer. Listen online at rcquakes.com and the iHeartRadio app or the Tune-In Radio app (Keyword: Quakes) with the "Voice of the Quakes" Mike Lindskog and Davis Ellington. To listen LIVE at LoanMart Field, tune your portable FM radio to 91.3 FM.

**HOME GAMES:** After this series in Visalia, the Quakes will head to Modesto for a rematch with the Nuts. The Quakes next home series will be on August 3rd, when they will kick off a series against the Lake Elsinore Storm. Tickets available at rcquakes.com.

### DIVISION STANDINGS

NORTH	W	L	PCT	GB
Fresno	48	22	.686	-
San Jose	44	26	.629	4
Modesto	37	33	.529	11
Stockton	28	42	.391	20

SOUTH	W	L	PCT	GB
Rancho Cucamonga	38	31	.551	-
Inland Empire	36	33	.522	2
Lake Elsinore	32	38	.457	6.5
Visalia	16	54	.229	22.5

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Fresno	48	22	.686	-
San Jose	44	26	.629	4
Rancho Cucamonga	38	31	.551	9.5
Modesto	37	33	.529	11
Inland Empire	36	33	.522	11.5

### YESTERDAY'S SCORES

Rancho Cucamonga 9 Visalia 1  
Lake Elsinore 11 Inland Empire 2  
Stockton 10 San Jose 5  
Fresno 6 Modesto 3

### TODAY

Rancho Cucamonga at Visalia, 6:00 PM  
Stockton at San Jose, 6:00 PM  
Modesto at Fresno, 6:50 PM  
Lake Elsinore at Inland Empire, 7:05 PM

### TOMORROW

Rancho Cucamonga at Visalia, 1:00 PM  
Stockton at San Jose, 5:00 PM  
Modesto at Fresno, 5:05 PM  
Lake Elsinore at Inland Empire, 5:35 PM

### 2021 QUAKES AT A GLANCE

1st Half Record:	32-27
2nd Half Record:	6-4
vs Visalia:	8-2
vs Visalia Home:	4-2
vs Visalia Road:	4-0
Home Record:	21-15
Road Record:	17-16
Current Streak:	W4

### Probable Quakes Lineup

1.	#15	J.Ramos	RF
2.	#3	S. McWilliams	DH
3.	#10	E. Leonard	2B
4.	#6	A. De Jesus	SS
5.	#5	S. Lao	3B
6.	#18	I. Vargas	1B
7.	#7	E. Mateo	CF
8.	#33	W. Chalo	C
9.	#25	A. de Jongh	LF
P.	#27	C. Duran	RHP

### UPCOMING GAMES AND PROBABLES

Date	Opp	Pitching Probables	Time	Radio
7/25	at Visalia	RHP Gavin Stone vs. RHP Adrian Del Moral	1:00 PM	RCQuakes.com
7/27	at Modesto	RHP Robbie Peto vs. LHP Adam Macko	7:05 PM	RCQuakes.com
7/28	at Modesto	RHP Jimmy Lewis vs. RHP Connor Phillips	7:05 PM	RCQuakes.com
7/29	at Modesto	RHP Kendall Williams vs. RHP Kelvin Nunez	7:05 PM	RCQuakes.com