



# RANCHO CUCAMONGA QUAKES 2021 GAME NOTES



LOANMART FIELD

**Saturday, May 8th, 2021 at 7:05 PM**  
**Game #4, Road Game #4**

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**San Manuel Stadium**  
**San Bernardino, CA**



**RANCHO CUCAMONGA QUAKES (2-1)**

**AT**

**Inland Empire 66ers (1-2)**



**RHP Kendall Williams (0-0, 0.00 ERA) vs. LHP Adam Seminaris (0-0, 0.00 ERA)**

**YESTERDAY'S POSTPONEMENT:** Game four of the series was postponed last night as further testing and contact tracing needed to be done on the side of Inland Empire, due to a positive Covid-19 test.

**TODAY'S GAME:** After last night's postponement, the Quakes will turn to right-hander Kendall Williams to quiet the Inland Empire offense. The Quakes will send a top 30 Dodgers' prospect to the mound in Kendall Williams. Rancho has struggled offensively, striking out 54 times so far in the series. The long-ball has been the key to the Inland Empire offense over the last few games. The 66ers will look to tie the series up at two games a piece, while the Quakes will try to take a commanding three games to one advantage heading into Sunday.

**THURSDAY NIGHT'S GAME:** For the second game in a row, Inland Empire's lead-off man started the game with a home run. This time though, the Quakes were unable to regain the lead. Inland would add on to make it a three-run first inning. The 66ers chased starter Jimmy Lewis after just two innings. Meanwhile, Inland's starter Brent Killam struck out ten Quakes batters as he used all his pitches to command the zone and keep Rancho's offense off-balance. The Quakes would eventually break through, as Alex De Jesus struck a two-out RBI double. The Quakes found themselves trailing by four runs as they came to bat in the eighth inning. Rancho would benefit from a litany of Inland Empire walks and fielding mistakes that would open the door for Rancho to get right back into the game, as the Quakes would plate four runs in the inning without the aid of a single hit. However, the Quakes offense was stymied in the ninth inning as they went down in order and fell by a final of 6-5.

**K IS KING:** Rancho and Inland Empire set a new league record with 35 combined strikeouts on Opening Day. They would promptly repeat the performance in game two with another 35 strikeouts between the both of them. Shockingly, game three was more of the same as the two teams would combine for 31 more strikeouts, pushing the total for the series to 101 strikeouts. The Quakes found themselves on the wrong side of the 31, as they fanned a new season high 21 times. The rate of strikeouts so far in this series is something that is unprecedented as both sides offenses have struggled royally to find consistent contact against the opposing pitching staffs.

**OFFENSE COOLED IN GAME 3:** After game two that saw the Quakes tally 12 runs, the offense had no answer for starter Brent Killam. Killam worked into the fourth inning before being pulled after allowing the only hit of his outing, a two-out RBI double to Alex De Jesus. Prior to that though, Killam struck out 10 Rancho batters, as the double was the only batted ball in-play Killam gave up. Strikeouts plagued the Rancho offense as they were unable to take advantage of the seven walks allowed by Inland pitching with a timely hit.

**KENDALL WILLIAMS:** The Quakes skipper John Shoemaker will look to improve to three and one on the young season behind one of the most highly anticipated arms in the Dodgers' farm system Kendall Williams. Williams was drafted in the second round of the 2019 MLB Draft by the Toronto Blue Jays out of high school. Prior to signing, he had an offer to pitch at the baseball powerhouse that is Vanderbilt University, but elected to begin his professional career instead. The Dodgers acquired Williams in the deal that sent Ross Stripling north to Toronto. Kendall Williams was a highly touted prospect out of high school, not just for his fastball that was sitting in the low-90s, but his entire arsenal. Williams features a plus curveball, as well as a changeup and slider that he has shown good feel for as well. With such a projectable frame it is easy to see why the Dodgers were excited to acquire the 52nd overall selection.

**ADAM SEMINARIS:** The Inland Empire have found success in this series with left-handed pitchers on the mound, and that's exactly the formula they are going with here in game five with Adam Seminaris. The former Long Beach Dirtbag will be toeing the rubber for the 66ers who are looking for a big game five win. Seminaris pitched three seasons for the Dirtbags, finishing with a career 3.58 ERA prior to being taken in the 5th round by the Angels. Seminaris was off to his best season yet for the Dirtbags in 2020 prior to the shutdown. He had made three starts, where he amassed 36 strikeouts over just 22 innings. Seminaris will be making his professional debut, as most starters before him in this series have.

**AROUND THE FARM:** Though the Quakes game was postponed, there was plenty of action to be had amongst the other Dodgers affiliates. The Great Lakes Loons are still yet to win their first nine-inning contest as they fell to the Dayton Dragons by a final of 9-5. The Tulsa Drillers offense exploded early, tallying six runs in the first inning of their contest with the Amarillo Sod Poodles. Tulsa would take the win in that one by a final of 12-3. Former Rancho Quake Devin Mann had a big game, he had three hits and four RBIs, including a big two-run triple to break the game wide open. In Oklahoma City the Dodgers had no answer for the offense of the Round Rock Express as they fell 15-6. Lastly, the Dodgers themselves are looking for a big rebound series, they dropped the first game to the Halos 9-2. Dodgers have slated Kershaw to start today on three days of rest after going just one inning in his last outing.

**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 and TuneIn Radio apps with the "Voice of the Quakes" Mike Lindskog and Davis Ellington.

**HOME OPENER:** Starting the season on the road means that the Quakes will be hosting the Modesto Nuts for their home opener this Tuesday, May 11th at LoanMart Field. Limited tickets are available online at rcquakes.com.

## STANDINGS

NORTH	W	L	PCT	GB
Fresno	3	1	.750	-
Modesto	3	1	.750	-
Stockton	1	3	.250	2
San Jose	1	3	.250	2

SOUTH	W	L	PCT	GB
Lake Elsinore	4	0	1.000	-
RANCHO CUCAMONGA	2	1	.667	2.5
Inland Empire	1	2	.333	3.5
Visalia	0	4	.000	4

## TODAY

Lake Elsinore at Visalia, 6:00 PM

Fresno at San Jose, 6:00 PM

Stockton at Modesto, 6:05 PM

RANCHO CUCAMONGA at Inland Empire, 7:05 PM

## TOMORROW

Lake Elsinore at Visalia, 1:00 PM

Fresno at San Jose, 2:05 PM

RANCHO CUCAMONGA at Inland Empire, 2:05 PM

Stockton at Modesto, 5:00 PM

## CAL LEAGUE SCOREBOARD

### Yesterday

Lake Elsinore 9 Visalia 8

San Jose 9 Fresno 4

Modesto 2 Stockton 1

Rancho Cucamonga at Inland Empire  
(Postponed: Covid-19)

## 2021 QUAKES AT A GLANCE

1st Half Record:	2-1
vs Inland Empire:	2-1
vs IE Home	0-0
vs IE Road	2-1
Home Record:	0-0
Road Record:	2-1
Current Streak:	L1

## Probable Quakes Lineup

1.	#3	S. McWilliams	2B
2.	#11	J. Vogel	CF
3.	#10	E. Leonard	3B
4.	#23	B. Lewis	1B
5.	#14	J. Vivas	DH
6.	#6	A. De Jesus	SS
7.	#15	J. DeLuca	LF
8.	#9	M. Hernandez	C
9.	#7	E. Mateo	RF
P.	#24	K. Williams	RHP

## UPCOMING GAMES AND PROBABLES

Date	Opp	Pitching Probables	Time	Radio
5/9	at Inland Empire	RHP Carlos Duran vs. LHP Erik Rivera	2:05 PM	RCQuakes.com
5/11	vs. Modesto Nuts	RHP Josias De Los Santos vs. RHP Gavin Stone	6:30 PM	RCQuakes.com
5/12	vs. Modesto Nuts	RHP Connor Phillips vs. RHP Robbie Peto	6:30 PM	RCQuakes.com
5/13	vs. Modesto Nuts	LHP Adam Macko vs. RHP Jimmy Lewis	6:30 PM	RCQuakes.com