

# RANCHO CUCAMONGA QUAKES 2021 GAME NOTES



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Excite Ballpark San Jose, CA





### RANCHO CUCAMONGA QUAKES (23-20) AT San Jose Giants (30-14)





RHP Kendall Williams (1-0, 4.81 ERA) vs. LHP Kyle Harrison (1-0, 2.48 ERA)

**TODAY'S GAME:** Rancho has dropped their first two games of the series, and will really be behind the eight ball if they drop their contest tonight. Rancho's offense has been productive against the best pitching staff in the league, but it has been the inability to close out the first two games that has put Rancho in a 2-0 hole in the series so far. Each team will be sending a high-valued high school draft pick to the mound, as Williams was a second round selection out of IMG Academy in Florida, and Harrison was a third round pick out of Bay Area local high school De La Salle.

**LAST NIGHT'S GAME:** Rancho again failed to stop the Giants late game offense as the Quakes fell 9-6 last night in game two of the series. Rancho started off the scoring with a Sauryn Lao solo home run in the top of the second inning. The Giants responded with a pair of runs of their own as they strung together a few extra-base hits to make it a 2-1 game. Rancho scored a pair of runs in the top of the fifth to retake the lead. Jonny DeLuca doubled and scored on an Aldrich de Jongh double. Eddys Leonard tallied an RBI in the inning as he plated Lao to take the 3-2 lead. Rancho increased their lead in the seventh, as Jorbit Vivas singled home a pair of runs to make it a 5-2 game. The Giants benefited from some Quakes mistakes in the seventh. An error and a walk put the first two batters on for San Jose, and Luis Matos promptly brought everybody home on a game-tying three-run home run. Richardo Genoves singled and would later score on a Jairo Pomares single, giving the Giants a 6-5 lead after the seventh inning. San Jose added on with three more runs in the eighth, as they received three walks and only mustered a single hit in the inning. Rancho would attempt a comeback in the ninth inning, but were only able to push across a single run, as they lost by a 9-6 final.

**LOW-A WEST PLAYER OF THE WEEK:** For the third time this year, the Quakes have had a player take home "Player of the Week" honors for the Low-A West. This time it is Sam McWilliams, who has received the award, with two home runs and seven runs batted in. McWilliams posted a slash line of .391/.462/.783 for the week. McWilliams joins Sauryn Lao and Braydon Fisher as Quakes who have received this honor so far here in the 2021 season. McWilliams had a great week at the plate, and also played three different positions over the course of the Visalia series.

**MISTAKES PROVE COSTLY:** In this battle between the two division leaders, Rancho has had chances to win both games, but self-inflicted wounds have cost them in both instances. The Quakes have issued 15 walks over the first two games of the series, and five of those walks came in the seventh and eighth innings of last night's game, with the Giants plating four of those five walks. Rancho has had a few defensive mistakes in this series, including three errors that have cost them. Two of the three errors have led to runs, and Rancho will need to shore up the defense behind their pitchers to cut down on free scoring chances for the Giants.

**KENDALL WILLIAMS:** The Quakes will look to turn the tide of this series with a win tonight, and Kendall Williams will be going to the mound in search of his second win of the season. Williams had one of his best outings in his last start against the Rawhide. Williams pitched four innings in that one, and allowed a single run on just four hits. Williams also tallied four punch outs and walked just one batter. Kendall Williams hasn't walked more than two batters in a single start this season, and Rancho needs that control to help limit the Giants base-runners. Williams was a second-round selection by the Toronto Blue Jays, and the Dodgers acquired him in the deal that sent Ross Stripling to the Blue Jays last season.

**KYLE HARRISON:** The San Jose Giants are going to try to make it three wins in a row to start the series against the Quakes. The Giants will be sending Kyle Harrison to the mound tonight for his ninth start of the season. Harrison is coming off of arguably his best start of the season, as he went six innings of two-hit scoreless baseball against the Modesto Nuts. On the season, Harrison hasn't allowed more than two runs in any of his first eight starts of the season to date. Harrison has tallied 57 strikeouts over his first 32.2 innings on the mound this season. Rancho has struck out 15 times in both games one and two of the series.

**AROUND THE FARM:** Last night, the Great Lakes Loons dropped their game by a 7-1 final against the Lake County Captains. The Loons plated a run in the ninth inning to avoid being shut out in that game. The Tulsa Drillers took home the victory in front of their home crowd by a close 4-3 margin. The Springfield Cardinals plated a run in the ninth inning, but Nick Robertson picked up his third save of the season and shut the door for the Drillers 24th win of the season. The Oklahoma City Dodgers had the night off last night, but will be back in action tonight against the Sugar Land Skeeters. The Dodgers played their third game against the Padres last night, and the Padres finished off a sweep of the Dodgers with a 5-3 win. With the sweep, the Dodgers have dropped to four games out of first place. The Padres are still in third, but just a half game back of the Dodgers in the standings, and they are both still looking up at the surprise of the season in the San Francisco Giants.

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**HOME GAMES:** The Quakes will be returning to LoanMart Field in two weeks to play host to the Lake Elsinore Storm on July 6th, as the Storm will be making their first trip to Rancho Cucamonga this season. Tickets are available at requakes.com

UPCOMING GAMES AND PROBABLES				
Date	Opp	Pitching Probables	Time	Radio
6/25	at San Jose	RHP Carlos Duran vs. RHP Prelander Berroa	6:30 PM	RCQuakes.com
6/26	at San Jose	RHP Gavin Stone vs. RHP Carson Ragsdale	6:30 PM	RCQuakes.com
6/27	at San Jose	RHP Robbie Peto vs. RHP Ryan Murphy	5:00 PM	RCQuakes.com
6/29	at Fresno	RHP Jimmy Lewis vs. LHP Sam Weatherly	6:50 PM	RCQuakes.com

#### **STANDINGS**

NORTH	W	L	PCT	GB
San Jose	30	14	.682	-
Fresno	27	17	.614	3
Modesto	24	20	.545	6
Stockton	18	26	.409	12

SOUTH	W	L	PCT	GB
RANCHO CUCAMONGA	23	20	.535	-
Lake Elsinore	21	23	.477	2.5
Inland Empire	20	23	.465	3
Visalia	12	32	.273	11.5

#### **TODAY**

Modesto at Lake Elsinore, 5:35 PM Fresno at Visalia, 6:00 PM RANCHO CUCAMONGA at San Jose, 6:30 PM Stockton at Inland Empire, 7:05 PM

#### **TOMORROW**

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## CAL LEAGUE SCOREBOARD YESTERDAY

San Jose 9 RANCHO CUCAMONGA 6 Modesto 4 Lake Elsinore 0 Fresno 3 Visalia 1 Inland Empire 9 Stockton 8

#### **2021 QUAKES AT A GLANCE**

1st Half Record:	23-20
vs San Jose:	0-2
vs San Jose Home:	0-0
vs San Jose Road:	0-2
Home Record:	13-11
Road Record:	10-9
Current Streak:	L2

#### **Probable Quakes Lineup**

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1.	#3	S. McWilliams	LF
2.	#10	E. Leonard	2B
3.	#23	B. Lewis	3B
4.	#15	J. DeLuca	RF
5.	#14	J. Vivas	DH
6.	#6	A. De Jesus	SS
7.	#5	S. Lao	1B
8.	#33	W. Chalo	C
9.	#7	E. Mateo	CF
P.	#24	K. Williams	RHP