**TODAY’S GAME:** The South Division Finals continue tonight, as the series shifts to LoanMart Field for game three in the best-of-five, as the Lake Elsinore Storm take on the Rancho Cucamonga Quakes. 1,500 fans through the gates tonight take home a Clayton Kershaw Bobblehead, thanks to our Playoff presenting sponsor, U.S. Bank! Down two games to none, the Quakes must win tonight in order to force game four tomorrow night at 7:05pm. Should they win two straight, they’d host game five on Sunday at 5:05pm.

**VS LA ELSI SONE:** During the 2019 regular season, the Quakes dominated the head-to-head series, going 21-9 overall and an incredible 10-5 here at “The Diamond”. These two teams have met in the playoffs since 2011, when Lake Elsinore bested the Quakes in the South Division Finals, winning the series 3-1, on their way to their last Cal League Title. The year before, in their last year as an Angels’ affiliate, Rancho had downed Lake Elsinore in the 2010 South Division Finals in four games, going on to face the San Jose Giants in the Cal League Championship Series, where they’d lose in five games.

**QUAKES LET BIG LEAD SLIP AWAY, FACE ELIMINATION:** The Quakes mishandled a five-run advantage on Thursday evening, as the Lake Elsinore Storm scored their final six runs, en route to a 7-6 win in ten innings over the Quakes, pushing the Storm to within one win of the California League Championship Series. Quakes’ starter John Rooney was solid, allowing just one run over five innings, leaving with a 6-1 lead. The bullpen couldn’t hold the advantage though, as the Storm got three in the seventh, two in the eighth to tie, then won it in the tenth, thanks to an Eguy Rosario sac fly off of Max Gamboa (0-1). Storm reliever Fred Schlichtolz (1-0) earned the win by tossing 1.2 innings of scoreless relief. Dillon Paulson drove in a pair with a two-run double, while Jacob Amaya had three hits in the loss. Lake Elsinore outhit Rancho 16-8 on Thursday night.

**RECAPPING THE REGULAR SEASON:** The Quakes scored a 4-3 win over Inland Empire on Monday in the season finale, giving them their second-highest win total in franchise history with 81 wins in the regular season. Last year’s club won 87 games to set the mark. Rancho won both the First Half Division and Second Half South Division, doing it for the second consecutive season to give them four straight half pennants. Individual leaders in the regular season include Devin Mann and Jeren Kendall, who both swat 19 home runs and finished with 63 RBIs, which tied for the active team lead. Donovan Casey toggled 20 homers and Jeter Downs drove in 75 runs to lead the club overall, but both were called up to Double-A Tulsa in the month of August, respectively. Of all of Rancho’s qualified hitters, Mann had the top average at .278. Brayan Morales led the club with 35 stolen bases. The Quakes finished the season with a .245 batting average (sixth in the league), but led the circuit in home runs with 165, their second-best-long-ball total in franchise history. On the mound, Wills Montgomery led the team with nine wins, going 9-3 on the year with a team-high 1.26 ERA and back-to-back crowns for what would be the first time in their 27-year franchise history. The Quakes won their first title as a Dodgers affiliate in franchise history and back-to-back crowns for what would be the first time in their 27-year franchise history. The Veil, AZ native was drafted in the 12th round of the 2017 draft out of Utah by the Dodgers.

**UP NORTH:** The Visalia Rawhide grabbed consecutive wins at San Jose and lead the best-of-five two games to none, after last night’s 6-5 win. Game three will again be at LoanMart Field, with game time at 7:05.

**RANCHO REPRESENTATION:** As expected, the Rancho Cucamonga Quakes were well represented when this year’s “End of Year” Cal League Awards were announced. Three members of the ‘19 club were named to the Postseason All-Star Team, as Devin Mann, Donovan Casey and Jeter Downs got the honors. Mann, the only one out of three still with the club, has hit .282 with 19 HR and 63 RBI in 95 games. As for Casey, promoted to AA Tulsa on August 6th, he notched a .269 average to go along with 19 HR and 75 RBI in 107 games.

**THREE TO WATCH:** Right-hander Andre Jackson will try to keep the Quakes alive tonight, as he makes his first appearance of the playoffs and his 16th start for the Quakes since coming up from Great Lakes of the Midwest League, where he was a mid-season All-Star, going 4-1 with a 2.23 ERA over ten starts. This is Jackson’s fourth start against the Storm, as he went 1-0 with a 1.76 ERA over three starts in the regular season. The Veil, AZ native was drafted in the 12th round of the 2017 draft out of Utah by the Dodgers.

**CALEB BOUSHLEY:** The Storm will go with Caleb Boushley in game three tonight, as he makes his 27th appearance and 11th start for the Storm this year. In his seven appearances (three starts) against the Quakes this season, he went 0-1 with a 4.78 ERA. Boushley was drafted in the 33rd round of the 2017 draft out of Wisconsin-La Crosse by the Padres.

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**HOPE TO SEE YOU TOMORROW:** The Quakes need to win tonight to force game four tomorrow. Game time would be 7:05pm and tickets would be available at rcquakes.com or by calling (909) 481-5000. Thanks for your support all year...Go Quakes!

**UPCOMING GAMES AND PROBABILITIES**

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**First Half Division Champions**:
- Lake Elsinore
- San Jose
- Visalia

**Second Half Division Champions**:
- Rancho Cucamonga
- Stockton

**Clinched Wild Card**:
- San Jose

**CAL LEAGUE SCOREBOARD**

**WEDNESDAY**

- Game 3 of North Division Finals:
  - San Jose at Visalia, 7:00 PM
  - Lake Elsinore at Rancho Cucamonga, 7:05 PM

**TODAY**

- Game 3 of North Division Finals:
  - San Jose at Lake Elsinore, 7:00 PM

**REGULAR SEASON AT A GLANCE**

- 1st Half Record: 40-30
- 2nd Half Record: 40-30
- vs Lake Elsinore: 21-9
- vs LE Home: 11-4
- vs LE Road: 10-5
- Home Record: 38-30
- Road Record: 43-27
- Shutouts: 7-7
- Extra Innings: 6-9

**PROBABLE QUAKES LINEUP**

1. #25 Jacob Amaya SS
2. #43 Dillon Paulson 1B
3. #24 Jeren Kendall CF
4. #33 Devin Mann DH
5. #29 Miguel Vargas 3B
6. #8 Tre Todd LF
7. #10 Brayan Morales RF
8. #6 Deacon Lutipi 2B
9. #44 Garrett Hope C
10. #36 Andre Jackson RHP

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