

Chapter 67 Stunned

Theseus

We are slowly getting through everything that Lilith went through after the Competition, sometimes it is Lilith that needs some time to pull herself together and sometimes it is one of us that needs time to calm down. After Lilith is finally through her story I am ready to kill someone and I am not the only one.

Roan and his friends go through their testimony a little faster, but everyone can tell it is difficult for them. Once they are done they all seem relieved that it is done, but I know the toughest part is still coming. Council-member Armas and Boaz are mind-linking and we give them time to finish their conversation.

“Council-members, there is something else we need to address.” Amarah says after their attention is back on everyone in the room. “When Joseph was brought to us he told us that our marks looked different from that of his birth parents, he told us what the difference is and it surprised us to say the least.

From the moment Lilith came here something was bothering me, but I couldn’t figure out what it was and I know Joseph had the same issue. Yesterday it finally clicked for me and Joseph woke me in the middle of the night to tell me he came to the same conclusion.

Lilith, did you willingly take your Brother’s Beta as your Mate?” Amarah asks her and I see a look of shock on every face in the room, except for Lilith. It looks as if she is relieved that someone figured out what had happened to her and she tells us about the day she was forcefully marked by her Mate.

It takes a while before everyone is settled down again and Lilith asks Amarah how she figured it out, “Joseph pointed out that our names were written in gold around our mark and we are a fated couple. The names were black on the mark of his birth parents and they were a chosen couple. The names on Lilith’s mark are red and because they are red I assumed it meant it was forced.” Amarah explains.

Council-member Boaz is writing down what Amarah just explained and it will be a good indication for the future to know whether the mark is of a fated couple, a chosen couple or a forced marking. I know the Council will place this in front of the King to make sure that it will get incorporated to our Laws.

All three Squad Captains walk into the office and I know they will get the order to take care of Lilith’s Brother and her Mate. While Boaz gives out the orders Armas asks Lilith if there is anyone who could take over as Alpha, but she tells him that every male in that Pack is like her Brother and that the only ones not supporting him are with us.

Cameron gets informed by Amarah about what is going to happen and he asks Captain Armand to text him when they are about to enter the territory, “It will give me the time to sedate her, she has been through enough and it ends today.” He says before he guides Lilith out of the room, he will take her to the Hospital and make sure she won’t feel a thing.

Delia and Roan plan on staying with their Mother and I ask Amarah what she told Conri when she was talking to him, she smiles before she tells me through the mind-link, “I asked him to make her Brother and Mate pay for what they did, they don’t deserve an easy death and he promised me that they would take care of it.”

We decided to stay in the main living room until we hear some news from the Squads and I see Umayza sitting on a couch with Joseph and Inti, she is telling them about the trial she just had to testify at. She doesn’t go into detail with them, but she answers their questions as best as she can and I know that Joseph really appreciates that.

Listening to her talk makes time fly by and Alastor runs from the room the moment Delia links us all to let us know that the Squads are about to enter the territory. Now it is just a waiting game to hear that Alpha Crios and his Beta are taken care of.

Amarah

I am grateful for my friends, my family and my Pack-members, we have been through so much lately and still each of them is doing everything they can to help another. They did it when they were informed about Asteria and Inti, they helped out where they could and they still do.

They did it when Theseus and Joseph came into my life and each of them has shown them that they are a part of this Pack, that their upbringing and training isn’t something that will be held against them. Especially Theseus is glad that no one holds his parents against him.

And now they are doing it again for Lilith and Roan, during the first few days after she was released from the Hospital Roan followed Lilith everywhere. Now both of them are at ease within our Pack, knowing that we run our Pack completely different from what they were used to.

Lilith had been sedated for a few hours as her Brother and her Mate were dealt with by the Royal Squads, when she had woken up her mark had been gone and she told Delia and Roan that for the first time in decades she felt at peace again.

Tonight at midnight the days of the Full Moon start and Delia has organized everything with the help of Lilith and Mom, with so many changes taking place during the last days of the Full Moon we didn’t organize a party and Delia took this opportunity to go all out.

We hope that a lot of our Pack-members will find their fated Mate and with combining both Packs and all the new members from outside our Packs it might be a few more than anyone expects. Delia also invited the Royal Squads to attend if they weren’t on assignment and that will add even more Wolves and Lycans to the mix.

Being a Royal Pack also meant we send an invitation to the Palace and the Academy to invite any unmated male or female that wanted to come and I got a personal link from the King to inform us that there were twenty eight that accepted the invitation, most of them being females.

I look around the area that has been converted into the party zone as Delia calls it and I smile as I watch my friends and family talk and laugh as more and more Wolves and Lycans arrive, I get up to go to the stage with Theseus right beside me.

“Werewolves and Lycans.” I say to get everyone’s attention. “I know that normally an Alpha starts his speech shortly before midnight and one of two things can happen, either his speech is too short or his speech is too long.” I hear chuckles and giggles all around me and I hear my Father growl softly.

“Alpha Theseus and I have decided to make a change in that department, we will hold a speech before the party really starts and let you all enjoy this evening whether you find your fated Mate or not. I would like to thank Luna Delia for pulling this off and a thank you goes to both our Mothers for helping her out.

For those of you that came from the Palace or the Academy, if you find your fated Mate tonight I want you to know that you and your Squad are welcome to settle here. I hope that tonight will bring many of you a time to remember, even if you leave here single.” I say before I make room for Theseus.

“As my Mate has said this night is for fun and laughter, but if you find your Mate here tonight I know your life will never be the same again. I would like to take this moment to confess something, I wasn’t taught the proper way to lead my Pack and thanks to a new friend I found out why.

I learn something new every day and not once has anyone made me feel like a failure, not once was I denied the guidance I needed. Pappi and Dad, thank you for being there for me when I need you and to help me grow as an Alpha. Mom, thanks for showing me that I am the luckiest Wolf in the world with parent like the two of you.

Joseph, thank you for being you and for being a part of my life.” He says before he turns to me. “Thank you for walking into my life, thank you for putting up with my overprotective nature and for loving me. I will protect you with my life if I have to and I will love you until my final breath, my Alpha.”

Tears are running down my face and I know this has nothing to do with my hormones, it has everything to do with the male standing in front of a huge crowd baring his soul to all of us. “I love you too, my Alpha,” I say as I wrap my arms around his waist and I lift my head up to kiss him.

“Okay, I think that is the cue to get this party started,” Joseph yells and I hear Mom scold him for interrupting a beautiful moment. We both turn our heads towards Joseph as he stares at his Grandmother, “You do know there are Pups around, Grandma?” He asks and I hide my face in Theseus’ chest.

Mom is too stunned to react and Dad doesn’t do anything to hide that he is laughing at the expense of his Mate. I doubt Mom had expected him to react the way he did, but she will learn soon enough that Joseph always speaks his mind and damned the consequences.