

## The Alpha & Beta's Regret Chapter 173

Rafe POV

They were all chatting casually amongst themselves and he'd heard that Austin and Sloan had actually known each other for over a hundred years, were often lovers as well.

Were both free and unmated and found each other attractive, , both were Alpha blooded and could enjoy each others company.

He'd seen Austin looking at Sloan and smile and state, “

How could I say no to such a lovely lady?”

“Lady?” Sloan had snorted and shaken her head. “That's not what I would call myself.”

El had looked at the pair of them and asked “How many mating balls have you attended together like today?”

To everyone at the table's complete shock, Austin had looked at El and stated “I don't believe that Sloan and I have ever attended the same mating ball. Sloan your recollection?”

Sloan had looked at him and stated “No, I don't believe so, not even seen you on a full moon.”

“How is that even possible?” Jack had asked with a deep frown. It was hard to comprehend considering they worked for the council, slept together and had known each other for over a hundred years.

Sloan just shrugged “I'm a retrieval specialist for the Council, I'm never there in the council chambers long and they have like 12 different chambers. I go to the nearest one unless requested to a specific chamber. Only drop off or pick up, rarely there for a day, usually a few hours.”

“The council also don’t do business on full moons.” Austin nodded. “Even if they did I am usually in my pack, to run the Mating Ball there or take my pack to other packs for Mating Balls. Just haven’t I guess.”

“Since El has become Kitsune, I have also moved to their pack and am based there now. Do less retrieval work, as Conner’s father needed to be kept in check, easier with me there.” She snorted.

“So you are telling me, you’re both here today, together on a full moon for the first time and both of you have been unmated for centuries?” Rafe commented.

“Mm. It does seem that way.” Austin nodded “Sloan’s line of work would not bring her to my pack, it’s healthy and doing well. Alpha Patrick handles the mid to west coast issues, I handle the east coast as that’s where my pack is.” He didn’t sound overly concerned about or even curious at all.

“I also lived on the West coast up until El met Conner.” She shrugged “And I work all over the place not just here in the human world, but the Wolfen Realm as well.”

The whole table was just staring at the two of them, “Did you never once think to put yourselves in a room together on the full moon.” His father Richard asked.

“Let it go. Sloan waved it off “It’s difficult at the best of times for a Kitsune to find a Mate, takes centuries. El here was an exception to the rule, she’s the only Kitsune I’ve ever seen mate off before 200 or have just one Kit either.” She shook her head and looked right at El, narrowed her eyes on her and he saw El just shrug it off herself. likely heard it before.

He felt the moon set as did all here in the pack on a full moon, no full moon got passed otherworldly creatures, and he smiled as did half the table, they were all watching Austin and Sloan now waiting to see what would happen.

Rafe smiled as he saw both Austin and Sloan's heads whip around to each other and their nostrils flare as they scented each other out. They had known each other for over a hundred years, were actually Mates but had just never been near each other on a full moon. He heard the deep growl come from both of them and then Sloan was just up in a flash and on the man, his chair was knocked right over and they were both down on the floor.

Sloan had a full hand to his face, had shoved it to the side to expose his neck and just sank her fangs into the man.

Took her less than 5 seconds to react, shove her mate to the ground and claim what was hers. Apparently, he wasn't getting a say in the matter. 500 years of waiting and she was having what was hers regardless.

Though Rafe didn't think that Austin particularly minded, he didn't seem to fight it at all and he had called her a lovely lady, they were already casual lovers. Then he watched as Sloan got up off Austin and stared down at him "Get up." She practically demanded of him.

"Why?" had come Austin's lazy happy sounding reply as he smiled up at her from the floor "Do you want something else of me." He asked and his voice had been amused to the ear.

"You will Mark and Mate me now. Get up." Sloan demanded of him once more.

Austin chuckled softly and had finally picked himself up from the floor, to look down at her, he towered over her, as he did all being pure blooded and nearly seven feet tall.

Smiled at her seemingly impatient attitude. Then used his full Alpha speed to snap a hand out and yank her hard up against his body with one hand while the other pulled her head back, and his fangs were buried into her neck an instant later.

Growled right into her ear "I'll mate the hell out of you, now shift and run fast for me, I'm going to hunt you before Mating you."

Saw as Austin released Sloan and smiled as she turned and was gone from the ballroom, watched as Austin tracked her as he pulled his jacket and vest off. "Excuse me." He stated to everyone at the table "El, my grandchild, I'm going to go and claim your grandmother, do you mind."

"No." she giggled softly up at him "Have fun." And then the man himself was gone.

"His wolf is in for a real treat." Conner mused aloud and got hit by El, but then she just hugged him and chuckled knowingly, Rafe thought. Something different about Kitsune's he thought absently.

Jack's hand touch him and his voice came down the mind link 'Over there.' He murmured to Rafe, who turned to see what Jack was looking at. It was Ian kneeling down right before Zoe, a smile on his face as he had a hand on her hand, she was staring down at him, and Lidia was all smiles. He heard Ian state "Zoe, would you like to take a walk with me in the garden?" His voice was soft and gentle as he looked up at her, finally found his Mate, he looked kind of like he was proposing to his Mate.

Ian had waited a very long time, saved himself for his Goddess Gifted Mate even, he also understood that Zoe had trauma, knew who her first Mate had been, a savage man. Ian was sweet-natured, kind and gentle, the complete opposite of Victor in every regard.

Looked at Zoe herself, she didn't look unhappy to him, had met Ian at the front gate on arrival, and had been the one with all the new pack members since they'd arrived, making sure they felt safe and welcomed, made sure they had everything they needed.

He watched as after a moment she nodded her head and got up to walk with him, they walked right past Allen and his three Mates. His eyes moved to them they had been worried about his Mate before, saw all three of them sigh softly and lean into Allen as their eyes followed Ian and Zoe out of the ballroom.

Nearly laughed when he realised that Giannah had woken Ian and told him he had to go with Rafe to the front gate.

They all knew who his mate was. He now realised that they just couldn't get to her and understood why even. Victor had a Siren in his pack, and from what he'd heard right across from Zoe.

A Siren could k\*\*l any and all that dared to intrude on that pack. No wonder they'd never let Allen go and do recon, a Siren wouldn't need to touch him to harm him. They knew that.

His whole unit was now paired up, that was a really nice feeling, Zoe may take some time but she wasn't going to say no, not by the way his witch's were looking at those two.

Many paired up that night with the new members from the Bloodless Moon, from the families that had lived there, he even got to see several coming hunting in through the doors hadn't been attending the ball but had been granted and scented out their Mates. Saw nearly all of the young ones between 18 and 25 from the bloodless moon be gifted a Mate from his pack, gifted to warriors and omega's a few of his ranked members paired up as well. Though he watched as two females already mated to each other from what he could tell, found themselves face to face with one of his Elite Warriors Dwane, he was six foot 2 and muscled up. Towered over the two she-wolves, they were completely shocked, and it was plain for all to see in the way they were just staring up at him. They were here for their two grown children to pair up not themselves, they had each other.

Dwane,

he knew had been Mated before and lost her many years ago in that war with Victor at the gypsy pack, but he was standing there now smiling down at the two tiny she-wolves staring up at him at this turn of events.

Rafe knew those two were omega-ranked, were tiny barely 5 feet tall and quite thin looking, as were all the omegas coming from Bloodless Moon, Nadia was going to fatten

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them all up she assured him.

He saw that their two children, both also girls were now watching what was going on with their mothers. It was likely they had, had one Mate between them before, both their daughters looked very similar to each other, likely both had the same father, he thought.

He and Jack got to dance with Luci, both together and separately on that dance floor in front of their pack. They both even kissed her lovingly before all that were here. The pack got to see the way she leaned into them, that they were all happy.

It was really nice though he and Jack were standing talking to their fathers when she suddenly just blipped out of the ballroom, both of their heads whipped around, and then Kali's gravelly voice came down the mind-link 'Catch me if you can, my Alpha's.'

Solar and Flare were gone in a flash, ripping out of them the moment they were outside of the ballroom, to hunt their wolfen mate for the first time since claiming her. They could feel her racing away into the forest.

There two wolves hunted relentlessly, for their one Mate, till she was standing between them, right in the very place they had been with Luci that first time. They had corralled her here to this very spot on purpose. It was their spot in the forest, as far as they were concerned, wanted to mate her here for the first time in wolfen form.

Solar bowed his head to both his Mates and took a step back to let Flare and Kali Mate first, sank himself down on the ground and watched them. He was happy to see Kali just accept Flare without issue. He was a large wolf

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compared to Kali, as was Solar, but they would never hurt her. She was made for them and they her.

He didn't move until Flare's knot released and he stepped back from her, stepped over to her himself and rubbed his head along her body, before mating her himself, knotting her himself. The three of them lay on the ground afterwards, both Solar and Flare resting their heads on Kali as she slept soundly between their two beasts, just like Luci would between he and Jack

