# **Chapter 91 - Welcome Home Mate**

### **ROXIE**

The warmth around me keeps me safe, and I don't want to move, but I slowly open my eyes and try to adjust to my surroundings.

My head was full of people talking, but I shut it out.

I moved slightly, but I was held tight against something hard.

"Don't move," Lex whispers. "It's so nice sitting like this."

I couldn't help but lean into him more, but I knew we had to move.

I moved slightly, but Lex's arms around me tightened.

I looked at him, and his eyes met mine.

"We need to move," I whispered.

Lex leaned toward me and placed a tender kiss on my lips. He rested his head on mine and sighed.

I closed my eyes as I took in his scent.

My mind raced as the events in the forest came back to me, and I couldn't help the embarrassment of knowing everyone in the pack could hear us, fucking.

Not only that, I allowed Lex to mark me.

His emotions were triggering Bex and me, we were going with what he was feeling and wanting at the time, and that was us.

I moved my arm and placed it to my marking spot and gently ran over the mark.

Warmth spread through me, but Lex tightened his grip.

I opened my eyes and pulled back slightly. Lex rests his head against the tree and stares back at me with a smile.

I stared at him, but his emotions came flooding in, concern and worry. I moved my hand and placed it on his cheek. "I don't regret you marking me," I whispered. Relief flooded through me. I smiled. "I don't know what came over me," I said. "One minute, I wanted to make it up to you; the next, all I could think about was you marking me." Lex nodded but looked sheepish. "That might have been my fault," he said as he placed his hand on mine to stop my hand from moving on his cheek. "I wanted you so much, but everything inside me intensified, and all I could think about was having you. I didn't mean to pressure you into having my mark." The concern came flooding back, but I shook my head. "You didn't pressure me," I murmured. "Bex and I wanted you too. Bex must have willed it more as I lost grip, and the mate bond has been affecting me more than normal over the last few days." Lex stared at me but smiled. "I'm happy you let me mark you," he said, but a frown appeared. "Even though your emotions are like a rollercoaster." I smirked. "Welcome to the world of a woman," I said. Lex laughed. We stayed still for a moment, but I looked around. No one was around, which was a good thing. "I think we should move," I murmured. I could feel Bex move in my head, which gave me an idea. "Why don't we let Blaze and Bex run for a bit?" I asked. "They can have some fun, and we can head back to the packhouse to see everyone." Lex nodded.

"Blaze likes the sound of that," he said and stared blankly for a few moments, but when he returned, he groaned.

I cocked my eyebrow at him.

"You don't want to know," he said. "I suggest not to look through Bex's eyes for the next hour."

I stared at him blankly, but Bex pushed forward.

"Blaze wants to mate," she said with a sheepish look.

My eyes widened.

Yeah, I will not be looking through her eyes until she pushes me forward. I don't want to watch that.

I could hear chuckling in my head, which I ignored.

I moved and got up from Lex, holding my hand out to him to take. He took it and got up with no help from me.

He looked at me and smiled; he leaned into me and placed a kiss on my neck.

"See you in a little while," he whispered.

Lex took a step back and shifted into Blaze.

I watched as the big black wolf stared back at me.

I smiled.

I walked over and placed my hand on his head, which he nudged.

"Blaze," I said.

"Little mate," rang out in my head, taking me by surprise.

My eyes rounded as I stared into his eyes.

"Thank you, little mate, for letting us mark you," he said. "I can now talk to you as well as Bex."

I smiled.

"I wanted to make it up to you and Lex, even though marking wasn't what I intended, but I am happy you did it," I said.

Blaze nodded and moved to stand, his head reaching over me. He leaned down and licked my cheek, sending tingles through me.

"Now," he said, stepping back and looking down at me. "Let my horny mate out, so I can have her."

I blushed.

I looked back at Bex, who was now staring back at me.

"Have fun," I said as I let her take over and shift into her proper form.

"Oh I plan to," she said as she shook out her fur.

Once she stopped, I was settled in the back of her head and was about to move back further, so I could give her some privacy when she called out. "Rox, I love you," she said.

I stopped and looked at her, warmth spreading through me. I didn't say anything but smiled back. She carried on talking to me. "I know you haven't had it easy," she said. "But I am so proud of you, and thank you for letting us have our mate."

I nodded but didn't need to say anything to her.

I moved into her head and placed a block up, as Bex and Blaze ran off into the forest.

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An hour and a half had passed, and I felt something tucking on the block I placed up.

I had fallen asleep. I was settled and at peace.

I needed it.

I removed the block and was instantly moved forward.

I shifted back into my human form and looked in front of me as I lost my balance. I started to fall forward, but big arms grabbed me, pulling me back into a hard chest.

I looked up and Lex stared down with a grin.

"You okay?" he asked.

I nodded.

"Well, I blocked Bex while they went for a run," I said as I leaned in more. "I didn't want to see what Blaze did to her."

"I can show if you want," Bex yells in my head, sounding slightly amused.

I could hear a chuckle, indicating that Blaze was listening in on us.

"No thanks," I muttered.

I looked at Lex, who smirked.

"Don't look like that," I said. "It's going to take some getting used to having them both in my head."

Lex laughed.

"I know what you mean," he said. "I had less than twenty-four hours on you and still haven't."

Lex looked at me and leaned toward me. He placed a kiss on my lips and moved back.

"Everyone is waiting for us in the office," he said as he looked up.

Only then did I realize that we were standing outside the pack house.

I knew we were still naked, but that never bothered any of the pack members, as many were always naked due to shifting into their wolves and back again.

Lex places his hand in mine and guides me toward the pack house door, where an omega was waiting for us. She held out some clothes for us and smiled.

"Alpha," she said as she handed Lex a t-shirt and shorts, to which he nodded.

The omega looked at me and gave me an even bigger smile. "Luna," she said, handing me a t-shirt dress. "I am so honored to meet you," she said.

I smiled.

"Thank you," I said.

The omega bowed but looked up at me for a moment before she placed her hand on my arm. "I'm sorry for what happened to you all those years ago," she said, looking between Lex and me. "I would have tried to help, but no one would have believed an omega or even taken what I said seriously."

I stared at her, not knowing what to say, but I did feel for her. Omegas are overlooked because they are meant to be weak.

"It's okay," I said. "I would have felt the same way if I were in your position. But from now on, if anything like that ever happens again, which it won't, but still, or you need to talk, you come to me; my door is always open for you, and all."

The omega stared at me in shock but shook her head and recovered. She smiled and nodded. "Thank you, Luna," she said. "I will keep that in mind."

The omega turned and walked away, but I couldn't help but watch her leave, but also wondering how many other pack members felt like that.

Lex placed his hand in mine, which made me look at him as we turned to walk away. We headed to the office, but I felt pride coming from him through the mate bond.

"You are already making yourself an amazing Luna," he said as we approached the office. "I'm happy you are taking the role in your stride."

I looked at him and smiled.

"I guess I want all pack members to feel like they can come to me about anything, whether small or big," I said. "I know if your mum were still alive, I would have gone to her more than anything with what was going on."

I felt a hint of pain through the bond, but I squeezed his hand. "Lex, your mum would be so proud of the man you are now, the alpha you are truly becoming," I said and went onto my tippy toes and placed a kiss on his cheek.

"Come on," I said. "Let's see what's going on now."

Lex smiled as he opened the door to the office, letting me walk in first.

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### LEX

I followed Roxie into the office, feeling slightly better about what she said.

I missed my mum, but not always does someone tell me something like that.

I closed the door behind me and faced everyone.

My father stood up with Tim, Keith, Jason, and Sofia, all spaced around the office, all grinning.

"Congratulations," Sofia said as she walked up to Roxie, pulling her into a hug. "We finally have our Alpha and Luna."

I smiled.

Everyone hugged and congratulated us more, and once they were all out of the way, we all sat down around the office.

"So what's happening about the Luna ceremony?" asked Tim, "when is it happening?"

I glanced at Roxie, who had a slight frown.

Blaze moved in my head.

"Little mate not happy with father wolf," Blaze said.

I sighed. I knew I had to let Roxie deal with this; it was her father, after all.

"Dad," Roxie said. "I wish you would not keep on about the Luna ceremony. I can tell you when Lex and I are ready."

I smiled, knowing that we were planning it sooner. I watched as Roxie looked around toward my father, who nodded at her.

Roxie smiled and looked at everyone.

I knew my father was making sure it was okay to do the ultimate fight, and judging by his face, he had the go-ahead to arrange it. Most ceremonies had to go through the Elders, and the Luna ceremony was one of them.

I glanced at Roxie, who was ready to tell everyone what she wanted, and I couldn't be prouder of her.

"I am having a Luna ceremony," she said. "But it will be slightly different."

"What do you mean?" asked Tim, looking confused.

I looked between Jason, Keith, and Sofia, who were wearing the same facial expressions.

"Well, I knew I had to have a Luna ceremony," she said and looked at me. I smiled to let her know she should tell them. I knew she could feel everything I was feeling from the mate bond.

Roxie sighed.

"I want to hold an ultimate fighter event," she said.

Everyone's eyes went wide, all except mine and my father's.

"You can't do that," her father said. "We have traditions, rules in place. No one will want to see you fight, not in a dress."

I could feel Blaze stand up in my head and growl.

I frowned at him as his eyes met mine. "You are agreeing to this," he muttered.

"I am," I said. "I want Roxie to have whatever she wants, even if it means she wants to fight."

Roxie gave me a small smile as I glanced over at her.

"Thank you," she said through a mind link.

Roxie turned her attention to her father and glared at him.

"Dad, this is my ceremony," she said. "I don't follow traditions. I will still have the dress, ceremony, and even food afterward. The fight will take place after the ceremony. I want all pack members there to see me."

"I don't see the point," muttered Tim.

I growled.

"Well, there will be a point," I glared at him. "The fight is a good idea; not only will pack members be able to witness their Luna fight, but the other alphas will also be present. The fight will show what kind of Luna Roxie is and how strong she truly is."

"Elders will be there too," my father called out.

I cocked my eyebrows at him.

My father moved toward Roxie and smiled but looked at Tim.

"Tim," he said, "Roxie is an amazing fighter, and you even witnessed it yourself when you were at Alpha Gareth's for the charity event."

Tim stared at my father but sighed.

"You're right," he said and looked toward Roxie. "I'm sorry, sweetheart," he said and walked over to her and hugged her.

Roxie hugged him back but pulled back slightly and looked at him.

"Dad, I want the luna ceremony," she said, smiling. "But I also want alphas and Elders around to know that this pack is protected and we will never back down from a fight."

Tim smiled.

"Well, I know full well when they watch her fight," he said with some slight humor in his voice, "no one will come near you."

I chuckled.

Roxie smiled but looked over at me.

"I also want to say that it will be my final fight as an ultimate fighter," she said.

I stared at her, and my eyes widened.

"What do you mean?" I asked. "You don't have to give up anything."

Roxie looked at me and stepped closer, placing her hand in mine while her eyes bore into mine. "Don't you think I will have more to focus on here in the pack," she said. "I mean, I will be your Luna. I want to improve some training and even help some of them get better."

Blaze howls in excitement in my head. He is one happy wolf to hear that. So was I, too; I was over the moon by her words. She was accepting her role as my Luna.

I pull Roxie toward me, making her hit my chest and placing my mouth on hers, not caring about everyone in the office. I kiss her hard on the lips.

I pulled back and stared at Roxie as a slight blush spread across her cheeks.

"Do you know how that makes me feel?" I asked. "I 1..." but I stop myself. I was about to tell Roxie I love her.

Roxie stared at me with wide eyes, but someone cleared their throats.

I looked over to see five smirks appearing back at me.

Keith gave me a knowing look but looked toward Roxie. "So, when is your big day, Luna?" he asked.

I stared at him, but I could feel Roxie's eyes on me.

"My Luna ceremony will be a month away, on the twentieth," she said.

I quickly look back at her, the twentieth? That date sounded familiar to me, but why?

"Twentieth?" Tim breathes out.

Roxie looked over at him and smiled.

"Yes, the twentieth," she said.

I glanced at Jason, who had a blank expression.

"That's mum's birthday," he muttered.

I looked back at Roxie, who closed her eyes to calm herself. "I know," she said. "I wanted to do something on that day; some hope she's with me in spirit."

I placed my hand on Roxie's waist and held her close. She opened her eyes and looked up at me with a smile.

After a few moments of quiet, Roxie looked away from me and stared at Keith. "Uncle Keith," she spoke. "Can you train me? I want a full training schedule?"

I looked over to Keith, who smiled and nodded.

"Too right," he said. "I will devise a plan and develop some new techniques you can try. We can start in a few days."

Roxie nodded but turned to face Sofia.

"Sofia, I need you to help me with the Luna ceremony," she said. "I will have to have you organize everything though, due to the training I have to do, but maybe we can arrange a time and place to go over things."

Sofia beamed.

"I would love to help you," she said. "I will come by tomorrow midday, and we can go over every detail, and when we are done, I can get started."

I smiled.

"What about the rest of us?" asked Jason, "what do we do?"

I looked over at Jason and smiled.

"You and I are going to be doing pack work," I said and looked over to my father and Tim, "while Keith is training Rox, Dad and Tim will be concentrating on organizing the ultimate fight event. We will help with some things, but we need to run the everyday things of the pack."

Jason nodded.

I looked around. "Do we all know what we all know what we are doing now?" I asked.

Everyone nodded.

"I think we all should get to it," I said.

I looked over to Roxie, who was staring at me.

I opened a mind link to her. "Can we spend a few hours together?" I asked.

"Sure," she said. "I will make some food for us, and we can have an evening in till we have to start it all again."

I closed the mind link down, moved my head down to her head, and placed a kiss.

Roxie and I said our goodbyes and left the office.

Blaze was relaxed in my head, and I could feel him hum.

I felt content as Roxie, and I walked back through the pack house together. We passed some pack members who bowed to us. I was happy. We walked out of the pack house and headed to our home.

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### **ROXIE**

I woke up early the next day after spending the evening and night with Lex. It was nice to relax and have him to myself. We talked about the Luna ceremony and the ultimate fight challenge and even had hot sex a few times.

I looked over to where Lex was, and his soft snores flooded my hearing. I couldn't help but look at him. I removed his arm from my waist and placed it on his stomach.

I moved quietly and quickly got dressed into some gym stuff.

I wanted to go for a run.

I knew training would happen soon, and running helped me warm up. You never know with Uncle Keith; he may say a few days, but he could actually mean today. He was annoying like that.

I placed my trainers on and looked over to Lex to make sure he was asleep, which he was.

I know he wants to help me train, but I think he will be a distraction, a good one, but also one that will keep me from keeping me from training.

I got up from the bed and walked out of the room.

Bex was flat out in my head, which was a good thing as she would have wanted me to wake up Lex for him to join us.

I needed to run on my own, it was the only time where I could keep my mind focused on what was happening on hand.

I walked down the stairs and headed out the front door.

I placed my ear pods in and ran.

I ran for miles.

I kept my mind clear, ignoring any mind links and whatever was going on. I needed to keep it together.

After an hour, I ran back home and headed inside.

I took my ear pods out and listened. I could hear Lex soft snores.

I looked back into my head, and Bex was still out cold.

I smiled.

I might as well make food for Lex and me.

I walked into the kitchen and started to cook.

It wasn't too long after I cooked the sausages that I heard movement upstairs and I knew Lex was awake.

I knew today I was spending it with Sofia, we were going over ideas for the Luna ceremony. I knew she was the right person for the job. I knew I needed help, training was going to be my main focus.

I heard Lex's coming down the stairs as I was dishing up the food.

I turned around as he walked into the kitchen.

I smiled, as I held two plates and placed them on the table.

"Foods done," I said as I pulled my chair out and sat.

"Where were you?" he asked as he sat next to me and started to place food on his fork. "Blaze sensed you were gone, but didn't know where."

I ate what was in my mouth and looked up at him.

"I went for a run this morning," I said. "I needed to clear my head. I will be doing this every morning as it's my way of warming before I start training."

Lex nodded.

"You could have woken me," he said. "I would have joined you."

I smiled.

"I know," I said. "The thing is I needed to clear my head, I feel overwhelmed."

Lex stared at me, but movement in my head got my attention. I looked back at Bex, and she cocked her head to the side. "Mate can help us," she said "We can use his help."

I stared at her, but I didn't say anything.

"Roxie," called Lex, bringing me back to look at him.

I stared at him.

His eyebrows were raised.

"Bex," he said and I just nodded.

I needed to change this subject. "So, what are you going to do today?" I asked. "Sofia is coming here soon to help me come up with stuff for the Luna ceremony."

Lex stared at me, but stared with a blank expression. Someone was clearly mind linking him.

When he got back to me, he frowned. "Well, I was going to ask if I could help you train today, help you get started," he said. "But Jason mind linked me and mentioned I have a ton of paperwork to get through and also Keith wants to talk to me."

I stared at him arching my eyebrows slightly. "Why would my uncle want to see you?" I asked.

Lex shrugged.

"I have no clue," he said.

I felt a sense something was up, but knowing my uncle it was most probably to do with my training.

Lex and I ate everything I had done.

Lex picked up all the dishes and placed them in the sink. I couldn't help but watch what he was doing. He turned to me and smiled. "I will do these," he said. "Go and have a shower before Sofia comes, I will join..." he started to say something, but a mind link came through, it was Sofia.

"Hey Rox," she said. "I am on my way to yours now."

"Ok," I said and closed the mind link down, and stared back at Lex, who was now frowning.

I hear Bex grunt in my head, but I ignore her. I guess she wanted the shower with mate. "I did," she muttered as she turned in my head.

"I was going to mention I would join you in the shower, but I guess Sofia is on her way," he said, pulling me from my thoughts.

"Yeah," I said and moved toward him. I leaned up onto my tippy toes and placed a kiss on his cheek. I pulled back as Lex placed his hands on my waist and looked down at me. "I will have the shower on my own," I said. "Maybe we can have one later when you finish in the office."

Lex smiled and leaned down to capture my lips, placing a tender kiss in its place. He moves back and his hands full to his side. "I best be off," he said.

I nodded as I watched as Lex moved away from me and headed toward the living area.

I followed him, but he was about to walk toward the stairs to go up when someone knocked on the door. Lex looked at me and headed toward the door and opened the door, there stood Sofia.

"Morning, Alpha," she said and looked toward Lex, her eyes landed on me and her grin widened. "Luna," she said as she stepped inside the house.

Lex nodded and looked over at me.

"I will be going to the pack house," he said. "I can grab a shower there. I will see you later."

I nodded and smiled.

Well, it looks like I will have to shower later after all.

Lex left, leaving Sofia looking at me.

"Shall we get started?" she asked. "We have loads to plan. I even got a notebook to put everything in."

I smiled.

"Come on," I said, turning back around and heading into the kitchen. "I will put the kettle on," I said. "I think we will need all the coffee we can get."

Sofia giggled as she followed me.

I could feel Bex move around in my head, but I knew she was settling in for the next few hours as it was going to be long. We had to plan everything and I had to leave Sofia plan it all, this was the only time we could do this and all before I started training.

I flipped the kettle on and heard the chair scrap behind me, I knew Sofia was getting comfortable to start. After a few moments, two mugs of coffee where ready and I placed them down in front of us.

Sofia had a pen in her hand and a notebook opened up.

"Shall we begin," she said.

I nodded and started to tell her everything I wanted.

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Three hours, four mugs of coffee later, Sofia and I had a list of everything I wanted for my Luna's ceremony, from the flowers to the suits I wanted Lex to wear. We had it all planned. We chose the pack house for the ceremony, as Sofia told me that Alpha Frank had a place to hold the ultimate fight, which I learned was outside.

The only thing on the agenda was my dress I knew what I wanted, and it wasn't in any stores.

"Finally, the dress?" she asked as her eyes met mine for the millionth time. "What are you looking for?"

I stared at her for a few moments but sighed.

"Actually," I said. "Can I show you something?"

Sofia looked at me with a confused look. We both moved from the table and walked toward the stairs. I didn't want to tell her, I wanted to show her instead.

We walked passed all the bedrooms and stood below the attic hatch. I grabbed the hook and hooked the latch handle, and pulled it toward me. Stairs came down and I walked up. Sofia was right behind me and as we both stood in the attic, I took in everything.

My Dad never threw any of my things, especially her clothes. I walked over to a wardrobe in the back and pulled it open. I knew which dress I was looking for as I remember my mother wearing it one evening for a day. It was white and laced, it went to the tops of her knees, which I wore it might mean it would be longer, but I didn't care.

Sofia stood behind me, I could feel her eyes on me. "This is all your mother's stuff," she said.

I nodded.

"Yeah," I muttered. "My Dad could never part with any of it. I think he might have forgotten all about this stuff too now, might since it was a few years ago, but I remember him putting everything up here one evening when he was done crying."

I skimmed over the dresses and spotted it.

"Here it is," I said and pulled out the dress. The dress had a plastic cover over it, so it looked new inside.

I held it up and looked back at Sofia, who smiled.

"It's gorgeous," she said and sighed. "What do you want to do with it?"

That was a question, what did I want to do with it.

I shrugged.

"I want to use this dress and wear it," I said. "I will give you permission to make it more updated. Do you know anyone who can alter it for us in time for the Luna ceremony."

Sofia stared at me, blankly for a moment and nodded.

"I know someone," she said. "We can come up with something in the next few days, only she might have to come to measure you and design something, but I am sure you won't mind doing that."

I smiled.

"That be fine," I said. "Uncle Keith and Lex won't mind."

Sofia smiled.

I turned back to the wardrobe and closed it. I handed the dress to Sofia, and we both walked down. I made sure everything was as I found it, as I didn't want Lex to nose up there.

We walked down the stairs. Sofia hung the dress from the hanger on the banister and stared at it. "I have to say," she said as she looked at me. "There is something about his dress that screams Luna material."

I smiled.

Her eyes lingered on the dress more and looked back at me with a weird expression on her face.

"Rox," she said. "I have an idea, I can design the dress to suit you and even have the person I know draw it for you to see. You can let me know what you think, if not, we can think of another way."

I smiled at Sofia.

"I like that idea," I said. "I trust you Sofia, just get the design down and we can go from there."

Sofia nodded, as a beaming smile slide across my face.

We went back into the kitchen and sat down. We talked for a bit about a few other things, but Sofia stood up and made some tea. Coffee was getting to us now, we needed something else to drink.

I watched as my brother's mate made the tea, but I wanted to know.

"How are things with you and Jason?" I asked, which made her stop what she was doing and turned around to face me.

"You know?" she asked.

I nodded.

Sofia leaned back against the counter and sighed.

"We are getting there slowly," she said and looked at me. "It all came to ahead when I went to find out more information from Amber, but everything was worse. She tormented me, not the other way around. She told me all the things that her and the other girls did with him."

I stared at her, she clearly wanted to vent and I was going to let her. I have been in them situations many times and they aren't nice.

"I knew I shouldn't have let her get into my head," she said. "I tortured her but I couldn't get anything else out of her."

#### I nodded.

Something comes to me and I feel movement in my head, which was Bex. I knew she had been sleeping for a while, but I knew she was now listening into the conversation.

"What happened to Amber after the rogue attack?" I asked. "I haven't seen her around."

Sofia stared at me and sighed.

"It seems someone got into the cells and killed her," she said. "The guards were dead outside, some rogues probably went into the cells and tried to take her."

I stared at her but nodded.

"She was torn apart," she said as our eyes met. "Someone didn't want her around."

I cleared my throat.

"You know," I said, trying to put my Luna position into good use. "Having my brother on a sex ban is something but have you tried talking to him since? I mean, he is your mate and he needs to learn to respect you."

Sofia stared at me, but I carried on talking to her.

"The past should stay in the past," I said. "I know I am a fine one to talk, but what with everything that has happened, us women are completely badass when it comes to making men pay."

I noticed a hint of a smirk, itching Sofia's lips.

"Sof," I said, as I leaned toward her, placing my arms on the table. "I am not saying to forget what happened, but at least forgive Jason. I mean, there is one thing about being mates, there is always ways to make it up to one another."

I smiled.

Sofia couldn't help but laugh.

"I assume you did that with Lex," she said as I leaned back into my chair.

I cocked my head to the side and looked at her. "Your talking about Lex," I said. "There will always be something I won't agree when it comes out of his mouth on times, but I do like the fact we can make up afterward."

Sofia gave me a knowing look and turned back around to carry on with the tea.

A mind link was trying to open up and it was from Lex.

"Hey," he murmured. "How's it going? It's getting late."

"Hey you," I said. "We all planned and she knows what I want, we might have to meet up for one or two things, but it won't take too long."

I heard him sigh.

"That's good," he said. "It seems like I have to stay here for the night. Dad needs my help with one or two things, never have an old man do a leaflet."

I gave a slight laugh.

"Not funny," he muttered. "He doesn't know what to do and Jason is training for a while."

"It's okay," I said. "I will ask Sofia to stay, we could have a girl's night or something."

"Sounds like an idea," he said. "I miss you."

I felt tingles though the mate bond as the words.

"I miss you too," I said. "I will mind link you later."

"Ok," he said and closed the link.

I looked at Sofia, who was now sitting in front of me.

I smiled.

"It seems Lex is sleeping at the pack house tonight," I said. "Do you fancy a girl's night in?"

Sofia beamed.

"Yeah," she said. "I would love to."

Chapter 94

# **Chapter 94 - Welcome Home Mate**

It has been a long freaking day.

Blaze grunted in my head in agreement. He has been bored out of his mind all day and nagging to go for a run or just to see Roxie for a bit.

I sighed. The mere thought of Roxie had me missing her.

When Jason had mind-linked me about coming to the office, I dreaded it. I hated paperwork, but I thought being out of the house while Roxie was arranging her Luna ceremony would help.

I wasn't expecting to be looking through leaflets and posters that my father created about the ultimate fight that was taking place.

Some people should never be on computers, and my father was one of them. He was handy doing the paperwork, but anything that meant creating was a no.

After mind-linking Roxie, I had been staring at the screen for the last four hours.

I wanted to be there with her, but I wanted to get everything sorted.

Jason has been helping me, but he has gone to the kitchen to get some food for us. It has been excellent working alongside my friend once again. He has proven what a Beta he will be over the last few days.

The door opened and brought me back from my thoughts.

I looked up as Jason came into the room carrying a tray, and Keith followed behind him.

Keith looked at me and smiled.

"How's it going?" he asked as he sat in the chair in front of my desk.

I sighed.

"Never let my father do this," I said, handing him the leaflet and poster. Keith looked at it but was holding back a grin. His eyes met mine. "At least he was trying," he said as he placed them back on the desk.

"How's the training planning for Roxie going?" I asked.

Keith nodded.

"I have come up with a plan for training, but it will mean she will have to be more focused on it all for the next months," he said. "No interruptions."

I nodded.

"Well, you might have to make a few exceptions," I said. "She still has her Luna ceremony to go through."

Keith nodded.

"That will be fine," he said and stared at me.

"What?" I asked with a questioning look.

Keith shook his head. "Nothing," he said. "I was going to say, I know I'm training Roxie for the ultimate fight, but I will need help. I need at least three people training with her, people she can fight with."

I nodded.

"I will help," I said, remembering the re-match we discussed a few days ago. "I believe we have a re-match, and I don't want her to hold back this time."

I could hear a chuckle from the side, which made me look over at Jason.

"What?" I asked with a frown.

Jason stared at me and smirked.

"I have been on the receiving end of the training the last time with my sister," he said. "She doesn't hold back on her punches."

"I will agree on that," said Keith with a chuckle. "She put you on your ass a few times."

Jason frowns.

I sneer.

I could feel movement in my head as Blaze moved closer. "Beta is not happy," he exclaims. "He should also take the challenge of taking on mate; I would love to see her drop him a few times on his ass." He chuckled the last part out, which made me feel much better. I wanted to see that too.

I looked back toward Keith.

"How about me, Jason and Huw?" I asked. "Huw has been with Roxie a few times, especially when she has been checking out the full training with the pack members. He can help too."

Keith nodded.

"I know Sofia is there now," he said. "I tried to pop over but could hear a movie playing. I thought I would let her have a night off, and she can start fresh in the morning."

I nodded.

We stayed in the office for another hour until we all called it quits. Keith and Jason did; I stayed in the office and got myself ready for bed on the couch.

I knew I could go home and back to Roxie, but knowing Sofia was there with her, I didn't want to ruin the girl's night they had. I mind-linked an omega to bring a pillow and blanket to the office; when she arrived, she looked like I had done something wrong. I take it all women are all together when it comes to men.

I put everything ready on the couch and settled in for the night.

I laid back and closed my eyes, only to be met with Blaze staring back at me.

I frowned.

"What?" I asked.

"Mate," he said.

I knew what he was saying, but I didn't want to disturb her.

"We need to sleep," I said. "We have to meet Keith by the house with Jason and Huw for training."

Blaze nodded and settled down.

I knew sleep would be long away, but I needed to try. It was only for one night, and then I would be with Roxie in the morning.

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A loud banging on the office door woke me with a start, making me shoot up with force.

I groan as I look around and spot the clock on the wall.

It was six in the morning.

Someone better be dying, I thought to myself as I got up from the couch and walked over to the door. I opened the door, and there stood Jason with a beaming smile.

"Morning, sweetcheeks," he said. "You ready?"

A growl slipped through my lips.

"Ready?" I asked as I opened the door wider for him to come into the office. Jason stepped in and sighed. "Training," he said. "Roxie must be awake now and even running."

I looked at him, and then everything returned with a hard hit. I was supposed to be training with Roxie and the others.

"We can leave," I said as I walked over to the couch, folded the blanket, and placed the pillow on top.

I knew I could get ready back at the house.

I looked at Jason, who nodded and opened the door to the office. We both walked out and headed outside.

The pack house was silent, but I knew some members would be up soon for training.

We walked toward the house. Outside was Keith, Huw with, Sofia and Roxie.

Roxie looked at me and smiled.

I felt my heartbeat more as she walked away from me and wrapped her arms around my waist as she hugged me.

I hugged her back.

"I missed you," she whispered as she looked up at me. I leaned forward and kissed her forehead.

"I missed you too," I said as I pulled back and looked at Keith, who gave me a knowing look. "I will get change, and we can start training."

Keith nodded.

I walked inside and headed upstairs to our room. I quickly changed into sports stuff and ran back outside.

Everyone was outside.

I walked over to Roxie and wrapped my arms around her waist.

"Where are we doing this?" I asked.

Roxie moved around and made me look at her. "By the lake," she said. "It's quiet, and there is plenty of room to training."

I nodded.

We all started to walk toward the direction of the lake.

I glanced at Jason, whose eyes were somewhere else behind him.

"Sofia left," Roxie mind-linked at me. I looked at her, and she stared ahead. "She wanted to make a start on the Luna ceremony. We made a huge head away on it all last night. She has a few people to see and organize so that she will see us later."

I didn't say anything, but Roxie placed her hand in mine.

"I want Jason to train with today," she muttered. "I think putting him on his ass or even his head a few times might get him to be with her and be a man for once."

Blaze huffed.

I didn't say anything, even though he needed a kick up the ass, and what better way than Roxie to deliver it.

As we approached the lake, Keith stopped and turned to face us all as we stopped.

"Right," he said, looking between us. "Here, we will be training every day for eight hours. Only have a few breaks, but that will be up to Roxie more than anything. I will use all three of you, but I will also have you all get some equipment we may need throughout the time."

We all nodded.

Keith looked at Roxie.

"You will be pushed to the limits," he said. "Are you ready?"

Roxie stared at him and nodded.

"Right," Keith shouted. "Let's get started."

Keith turned around and walked toward the lake.

I could feel Roxie's hand squeeze mine.

I looked at her, and a mischievous grin spread across her face.

"You know Jason won't be the only one I will put on their ass," she said.

I smirked.

"We will see, sweetheart," I said as I led her away toward where everyone else was.

"You know she will, right," muttered Blaze, slightly amused.

I ignore him.

I knew she will, but I won't be holding back either. I want her to win, and win, she will.

Chapter 95

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### **ROXIE**

### A MONTH LATER

Every bone in my body ached.

A whole month of training and the ultimate fight was tomorrow and my Luna ceremony.

Bex and I were beyond excited but also nervous.

Sofia did a fantastic job organizing everything for the Luna ceremony. I knew I could trust her. Tonight she will be staying at the house with me; we are having a girl's night, while Lex will be with my father, Jason, Uncle Keith, and Alpha Frank in the pack house.

Lex and I decided on treating the whole Luna ceremony like a wedding for the first part.

Alpha Frank told everyone about the Luna ceremony and the ultimate fight through an open pack link. Everyone was buzzing and excited.

A few members came to watch me train when they stumbled on it, which was fantastic. The most people that came to watch me was when I fought Lex and won.

There was no holding back, nothing. He even gave me a run for my money.

My father and Uncle Keith, Alpha Frank, set it up last week.

Lex gave it all, and still, I dropped him on his ass.

After the fight, I was aching, but that didn't stop Lex from taking me in every position he could. Apparently, it was a turn-on to get your ass handed to you by your mate, who wore it with pride. Well, until we got home and took charge of the evening.

Training got more intense as it came closer to the day. Uncle Keith threw everything at me, and I took it all. My body was worn out and hurt in places it shouldn't, but I knew I had to do it.

Bex helped more than I could count, but she only needed to step in when I took on Lex or my uncle.

As for my brother, I tossed him around like a rag doll a few times. It all got too much when Sofia came to watch. After a few failed attempts at getting me down, he ran after her and has been with her ever since.

They seemed to have rekindled as I have caught them making out the last few times when I have headed back to the house after training.

As training has now come to an end, my thoughts are on the Luna ceremony.

I was excited to take the position, and I even have a few ideas of how to help the pack members. But there was a part of me that was anxious.

Yesterday, Alpha Frank received some information and was told that the Elders would attend. Everyone who was sent an invitation was coming, all alphas and their Lunas.

I was nervous about learning about the Elders coming.

Alpha Frank told us they were intrigued to know what I could do.

I know I would love to meet Elder Issac, but after the last time, he would be the one that I would bring into the ring to fight, which regarding what Alpha Frank told us, I might have to hold Lex back, too as he wasn't too thrilled to hear the snide comments about me.

I was doing this ultimate fight to prove that I was no Luna to mess with if they ever attacked the pack. And I was going to damn well show them.

All alphas and their lunas seemed to be in the same boat as the Elders, but some had heard the tales from rogues that fled onto their lands about what had happened. I guess they were coming to have a show to be proven right.

Luna Stephaine and Alpha Dean have come by and even watched the training. I was so happy to hear that they were expecting their first child. Luna Stephanie went over everything that was intended for the Luna ceremony that I should include, but I surprised her when she went through the whole book that Sofia created, which helped her out.

Luna Stephanie wanted to know what my dress looked like, but like everyone else, she will have to wait till tomorrow.

Sofia designed it all for me, and I must admit, it turned out better than I ever expected.

I was pulled back from my thoughts as I heard the front door open. "Rox," called out Sofia. "Where are you?" "My room," I yelled back. I heard her footsteps come up the stairs, and she burst through the door with a beaming smile. "The dress is downstairs," she said. Her eyes scanned over me, but her face changed as she took in my appearance and frowned. "You okay?" she asked as she walked over to me. I sat on my bed in a towel. I had not long gotten out of the bath after a long soak. I looked at her as she sat next to me. "Yeah," I said with a sigh. "Just aching in places I shouldn't be, but I'm fine." Sofia gave me a small smile. "I couldn't have done what you have been doing for the last few weeks," she said. "I probably would be on the floor in a heap." I gave out a little laugh. "You would have coped," I said. Sofia gave me an amused look, "yeah, no," she said. "I would have probably would have given up. I know I couldn't have fought four people and even won." I sighed, remembering my last training session. Uncle Keith thought fighting four men would help. It was a shock to the system as there were no breaks between each fight, but I managed to fight everyone. Lex was in my corner, where he would be tomorrow, barking orders on what I should do. Sofia moved, which made me look at her.

"Get some comfy clothes on," she said. "We can have a movie night and bed early."

I nodded.

I knew I had to mind-link Lex about something, so once Sofia was out of the room, I opened a mind-link to him.

"Lex," I said. "Has your father told you who I am fighting tomorrow?"

"Hey, baby," his voice rang out in my head. "My father won't tell Keith or me. Keith has been hassling him, but my father is not budging."

I sighed.

I didn't like this, not knowing who I was fighting.

"Babe," he called out, "you will fight whoever it is and beat them hands down. I will be in your corner and make sure no one will get into that ring that's not supposed to be, I promise."

I couldn't help but smile.

Lex was worried that I would face Tammy Harsh again, and knowing my luck would be, I worked hard in training, knowing I could take her whatever happened. Lex was more concerned about Demon being there with her at ringside.

I permitted him to get involved in anyone I was facing who brought anyone with them; If they got involved, he could take them out, which helped settle his mind and Blaze.

I could feel movement in my head. Bex had fallen asleep after training; it was taking its toll on

"I need to go," I said. "I can't wait to see you."

"I can't wait to see you," he said. "I love you, Rox."

I felt my heart tighten at those words.

"I love you too, Lex," I said and closed the mind link down.

Lex blurted out he loved me after the fight we did. I was shocked to hear it coming out of his mouth, even though I knew he felt that way toward me for a while but hearing those words come out of someone you cared about's mouth was something else.

"Mate," whispered Bex as a yawn escaped her lips.

I looked back.

"How are you feeling?" I asked, cocking my head to the side to ensure she was alright.

"I'm fine," she said as she raised her head from her front paws to look at me. "Blaze and I talked while you were in the bath, I know why you placed the block up, and I don't blame you." I smiled. I loved hearing Blaze and Bex in my head, but I needed a break when you have been training non-stop for weeks. "Everything okay?" I asked. Bex nodded. "We want this all to be over with now," she sighed. "We know whoever you got in this fight, you can beat them, and you know I am with you all the way." "Thanks, Bex," I said. I stared at her for a moment. "Once the ceremony is over and the fight ends," I said as I got up from the bed and walked over to the dresser, where I placed my clothes for the evening. "We can be with Lex and Blaze more, even settled down more too." Bex nodded. "You never know; we may have pups," she said, which made me stop. That was one topic Lex, and I haven't talked about yet, and that's pups. I want them. I could feel Bex hum, which made me look back at her. "What?" I asked. Bex cocked her head to the side, but after a few moments, she shook her head. "Nothing," she said. "Pups will come when they come. You need to stay focused." I stared at her for a bit longer, but she rested her head on her paws and fell asleep. I knew I wouldn't hear from her again, not tonight, at least. "ROX," called Sofia, "COME ON, I GOT THE FILM READY." I smiled.

Nothing I wanted to be than right here in this moment, even though my mum would have thrown something instead, but I was happy with what I got.

I quickly got dressed and left my room.

As I made it down the stairs, I took a glance at the dress bag that was hung up on the back of the kitchen door.

I knew my mum was with me; I was wearing something of hers.

I looked over to Sofia, who was smiling at me.

I sat down, and she pressed play on the film.

I was nervous, but the excitement was there too.

I was going to become the Luna of the Blue Shadow Moon pack tomorrow and fight too.

Who wouldn't be excited?

I cleared my mind as I leaned back into the couch and cleared my mind.

I needed the quiet.

I needed to prepare for tomorrow and what's thrown at me.

Chapter 96

# **Chapter 96 - Welcome Home Mate**

### **ROXIE**

I couldn't believe my eyes as I stared at myself in the mirror.

I have been at the butt crack of dawn, getting ready. Who knew I had to be exfoliated and moisturized to make myself look good for one day?

My night with Sofia was quiet as we watched two films and then went to bed. We did open a bottle of wine but didn't finish.

I couldn't stomach it, not after all the training I had done.

Bex and I were nervous, which meant sleep didn't come straight away. When it did, I was out like a light.

I woke up to smelling food cooking, which I was happy to devour in a whole second. After food, Sofia invited a woman to the house to do our hair and makeup.

Three hours later, I am now standing in front of my mirror in my dress.

I looked like a princess.

My hair was in loose curls, and my make-up was light.

The design of the dress that Sofia created was perfect for me. It suited me. The length was way past my knees, as I thought, but I forgot there was a slit going up the leg. Sofia designed it for the slit to be up to the middle of my thigh, creating more room. Lace was added to make sleeves and a bodice on top of the dress.

The dress was perfect.

Sofia bought me some clear, open-toe shoes with a high white base, which pulled everything together.

I stared at myself, trying to figure out whether it was me.

I could feel Bex move in my head and purr slightly.

"You hot," she said as she came closer to look. "You will make mate drool."

I smiled.

"Not what I wanted to hear," I said. "But I will take it."

Bex was quiet, but her warmth spread through me. "You look stunning, Rox," she said. "I think mate won't be able to keep his hands to himself later. But I mean it, you look perfect."

I looked back at her as she smiled.

"Thank you," I said, trying not to cry. I didn't want the woman to come in here to redo my makeup again.

I knew everyone was here as Lex mind linked me last night and this morning to tell me.

"ROX," called out Sofia. "Are you ready? Your Dad and Keith are here."

I stared at myself for a little longer but sighed.

I best show my face now.

I turned around and headed to the bedroom door, but I looked back at myself in the mirror.

I sighed and opened the door, walking out.

I headed down the stairs slowly, never taking my eyes off the stairs as I ensured I didn't fall in the shoes. As I got to the bottom, I looked up, and there staring back, my Dad and Uncle Keith, all mouths wide open.

I stepped closer, and my father shook his head and came closer to me. "You look stunning, Rox," he said as he held his hand to me. I took it, but he made me twirl around like he did when I was a child. I stopped and laughed slightly.

"Thank you," I said. "The dress used to be mum's dress. What do you think?"

My father eyes widened as he looked at the dress.

I felt nervous, but as soon as he took me in and his eyes met mine, he smiled.

"You look stunning," he whimpered, "you look so much like her, and she would be so proud of you."

I smiled, feeling my heart break slightly.

A lone tear escapes his eye, but he wipes it with the back of his hand.

I looked over to Uncle Keith, who was nodding.

He came up to me and hugged me. He pulled back and smiled. "You look stunning, Luna," he said.

I smiled.

I know I have to get used to people saying that; I would be hearing it all day today.

I sighed and looked at Sofia, who was smiling.

"Where's Jason?" I asked.

Sofia cleared her throat.

"Jason's with Lex," she said. "He will see you when you get there."

I smiled.

My father moved slightly and placed his hand in mine, which made me look at him. He smiled. "Shall we?" he asked as he looked between us all.

I nodded.

We all left the house and headed toward the pack house. It was silent when we walked like there was no one around. Everyone was waiting in the pack house. It was surprising to learn how many people could fit in the hall a few days ago.

"It's so quiet," says Bex in my head.

Sofia, Uncle Keith, and Dad went in as we approached the pack house while I stood behind them. They all hugged me and told me that they would see me later. I looked toward the door and noticed Huw standing by the hall entrance. I smiled.

"Wow, Luna," he said as I walked over to him, as he closed the door behind my father. "You look gorgeous."

I beamed.

"Thank you," I said. "Should you be in there with the rest of them?"

Huw shook his head. "I'm here to open the door for you," he said.

I frowned.

"You should be..." but before I could finish what I wanted to say, he shook his head and smiled.

"My family agreed for me to be here," he said as he placed his hand on the door handle. "I wanted to open the door to my Luna, the one I will follow till my end."

I stared at him with wide eyes.

Huw stared at me.

"Are you ready, Luna?" he asked.

I looked toward the door and nodded.

Huw smiled and opened the door.

I stepped closer and was stunned. The hall was filled with pack members, alphas with their Luna and Beta, and even the Elders.

I felt nervous, but as I stepped further into the hall. An aisle was created for me to walk down, my eyes searched for him, and as my eyes went to the front, there he stood.

Lex.

Holy goddess, he looks freaking hot in that suit.

His eyes met mine.

I could feel a mind link open, knowing it was him.

"You look stunning," he murmured. "Eyes on me, Rox. Think no one else is here, just us."

My nervousness subsided by the comment as I walked.

My mind was racing, but murmurs were circling. I didn't want to hear anything.

As I stepped closer to Lex, he held his hand to me, and I took it. He leaned into me and placed a kiss on my cheek.

Fuck, my core was tightening; this wasn't the place for this.

My body reacted to him, which is normal, but something was off. I wanted him in every possible way.

"Calm down," he muttered.

I gulped and tried to control myself.

After a few seconds, Lex led me to the stage, where he guided me up the steps in front, and we stood before Elder Issac and Alpha Frank.

Alpha Frank smiled at me.

His eyes went to the crowd, but I kept my eyes on Lex.

I needed to keep on him, or I had a version of me throwing up all over people.

Lex smiled.

"Welcome, one and all," Alpha Frank shouted. "We want to welcome you all to the ceremony of Luna Roxie."

There was silence around the hall.

"This ceremony will be short as we have many things planned, but also some entertainment that our Luna will be showing us," he said. "As you all know, this has been a long time coming for our pack, and once Luna Roxie has her mark of the Luna, the pack will officially have its Luna."

I looked to Alpha Frank, who turned to look at me and smiled.

Elder Issac said a few words, nearly making most pack members fall asleep, but it had to be said.

"Luna Roxie," Alpha Frank called as he placed his hand out.

It was time for me to become the Luna.

I knew I had to hold his hand, which I did. Alpha Frank looked over to Elder Issac and nodded. Elder Issac put a knife in his hand.

Alpha Frank looked toward me and spoke again.

"Luna Roxie, will you accept to be a fair and true Luna," he said. "Someone that people can come to, someone who will protect the pack. Will you follow beside your alpha and mate, Alpha Lex, on his path to be the next alpha?"

"I will," I shouted.

Alpha Frank nods, moves the knife to my hand, and slices across. Blood trickles out, and he looks to Lex, who has his hand ready and hands the knife to him. Lex slices through his hand and places it in front of his father.

Alpha Frank places our hands together.

I looked toward Elder Issac, who now has moved out of the way, and there was another man, another Elder, who I had only met once, Elder Warick. He was the Elder of witches.

Elder Warrick stepped forward and placed his hand on ours; he muttered a few words, and then a burning sensation rippled through me. I look at Lex, who holds my gaze.

After a few moments, Elder Warrick moves back, and Alpha Frank steps up again.

He smiles.

"I would like to introduce Alpha Alexander and Luna Roxie," he shouted as he hoisted our hands.

I could feel a slight burn on my shoulder.

"What the hell?" I whispered to Bex.

Bex moved closer and gasped.

"You were the crescent of the pack," she muttered. "It proves you are the Luna."

I didn't say anything. Cheers erupted around the hall, and everyone was on their feet. Lex and I dropped our hands down. Lex moved closer, pulling me toward him to face him. He placed his hands on my cheeks and kissed me. More cheers could be heard, but I was on cloud nine as my mate kissed me. I pulled back as Alpha Frank moved to the side of me. "Now," he shouted, making everyone calm down, "now, we will feast and dance. The fight will begin in a few hours. You can enter the pack grounds and take your places as the Alpha and Luna collect their thoughts." All pack members were trying to talk to us, but Lex moved me toward the back of the stage and away from everyone. He pulled back the curtain and pushed me away from everyone. Lex looked down at me and smiled. "My Luna," he murmured as he lowered his lips to mine and kissed me again. I kiss him back and moan into his mouth as his hands go to my waist. What the hell was wrong with me? I moved back and licked my lips. Lex stares down at me. "You okay?" he asked. I nodded. "I guess I want my alpha," I said, which made Bex howl in excitement. Lex laughs. "I will have you through the night, sweetheart," he said. "But we have to get through the next few hours and the ultimate fight, and then I am taking you to our bed where I am ravishing you till I can't anymore." The way he spoke affected me, and I liked the idea of him being with me.

Fuck, what the hell?

I cleared my throat.

"I think we should get back out there," I said as I removed the curtain.

I stepped out with Lex's hands still on my waist. He stopped me and leaned into the crook of my neck.

"Damn, you smell so sweet," he said, kissing my neck.

I moan.

"Don't," I muttered.

Lex moves back and sighs.

"I think I might get Dad to put your fight first," he said.

I looked over my shoulder at him with a questioning look.

"Huh," I said. "I thought we only had my fight."

Lex shook his head.

"My father only booked four fights, which included yours," he said. "I think he wanted to make it a night to remember."

I should have thought about that. I did leave Alpha Frank to plan it all, and it would be something to watch the other fights.

"Did he tell you who I am fighting?" I asked.

Lex shook his head.

"Not a clue," he said. "Come on, let's get outside. The quicker we get out there, and you fight, the quicker I can take you back to the house."

"I might want to watch the other fights," I said jokingly.

Lex frowned.

"I will do whatever you want," he said. "But one thing is for certain; I will be having my way with you sometime through this event, even if it's in a corner somewhere."

The thought of that excited me.

I licked my lips, but Lex groaned.

"Fuck, Rox," he said as he leaned and kissed my head. "You definitely not going to make it easy for me."

"Nope," was all I said as I placed my hand in his, making him drop his hands from my waist and guide him to the side entrance, where everyone was waiting for us.

"GIVE IT UP FOR ALPHA LEX AND LUNA ROXIE," yelled ALpha Frank as we stepped outside.

Chants and cheers could be heard around the pack grounds from every pack member and others around.

Chapter 97

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#### LEX

The afternoon was a hit.

I sat next to Roxie as we gazed at everything in front of us. The food was out of this world and the music too. Every song that was played was something that made this event more special.

The ultimate fight drew closer as time passed, and I started to feel anxious. Well, more Roxie than me; her anxiety left me feeling everything through the mate bond.

I placed my hand on her shoulder and pulled her closer to me.

"You okay?" I asked as I leaned into her.

Roxie nodded but didn't say anything.

"Mate, nervous," muttered Blaze.

I knew that.

Blaze had been quiet all through this but only spoke when Roxie appeared. He drooled as he watched. I honestly thought he was going to shift and hump her leg when he saw her.

"I would have, but humping may not be what I would do to her," he sneered. "I want her, her scent strong, and that dress looks perfect on her."

I couldn't agree more; she looked like an angel walking toward me. My cock came to life as I watched her; she was something.

I was about to open my mouth when my father stood up and clicked his knife on his glass to get everyone's attention.

All talking stopped, and the music was cut off.

My father smiled and looked toward us.

"Now, as you all know, Luna Roxie wanted to do something special for you all," he said, looking toward everyone. "It is my greatest pleasure to announce that we are holding an ultimate fight here this evening, and the first match will be our Luna herself."

I turned to look at Roxie, who stared at my father.

I knew she was worried about who she was fighting against, and I must admit, so was I.

"Now, Luna Roxie will be taking her to leave to get ready to fight shortly," he said and looked at her, "as for your opponent, I knew you wanted to know, but I was told to keep it a secret as I asked for Alpha Gareth who I should go against you."

This wasn't good.

"So, I will announce that Luna Roxie will be fighting against Tammy Harsh," he said.

A few growls erupted around the grounds.

Roxie tensed before I could even react to the news.

I looked over at her, but her face was blank.

"Bex is talking to her," muttered Blaze. "She is giving her a pep talk or something."

After a few moments, Roxie looked at me and nodded. She leaned in and kissed my cheek but moved toward my ear. "Stay by the ring," she muttered. "Demon will be with her, and he likes to play dirty. I need you to take him out if you see him move."

Roxie moved back and stared at me.

I moved toward and kissed her lips but pulled back only mere inches away. "He won't come near you," I murmur as I look at her lips. "I will make sure of it. You concentrate on Tammy; leave Demon to me."

Roxie smiled and kissed my lips again. She moved back and stood up, and her eyes went to mine. "I will get ready," she said.

I nodded.

Roxie turned and left, heading toward the entrance of the building where they were holding the ultimate fight.

Alpha Frank told everyone to head to the building. I got up, and Keith came over to me; his eyes scanned the crowd.

"What's up?" I asked as he stood rooted to the spot.

Keith sniffed the air, but a low growl escaped.

"Mate," he whispered, making my eyes wide.

Keith looked around but looked at me.

"I know I promised Roxie I would be by her side, but I need to..." he said, but I shook my head. "I understand," I said. "Find your mate; Roxie will understand too."

Keith nodded and walked away.

I knew this would be a big deal.

I sent a mind link to my father to let him know what was happening, which even surprised him. Keith never bothered finding his mate; he was all about his beta role and ultimate fighter community; he never mentioned whenever he was around that he was looking, so this was a shock, even to my father.

I walked toward the building.

The building was the gym area we used when we were kids. My father had people in to make it more respectable, and we used it. We had many vacant buildings, especially after Alpha Trevor's pack attacked.

I stepped inside and was blown away by it all.

They did a fantastic job.

I walked toward the ringside and waited in the corner. I knew I had to be in as she told me where she would be. I glanced around and noticed everyone we knew was behind me.

Jason and Sofia sat together, which was a lovely sight. Jason told me last night that they had talked a lot over the previous few months. It seems having your ass kicked a few times by your little sister would affect you.

Blaze chuckled.

I was about to turn away when Keith approached with a red-headed woman in his arms.

I walked over and smiled.

"You found her," I said as he looked at me; he gave me a slight nod.

I couldn't help take the woman in, something about her was intriguing, but Blaze was up in my head. "She's a witch," he murmured. "She is one the Elder brought."

The woman looked at me and nodded. "Alpha Lex," she said. "I'm Nora, I know you have worked out who I am, but I am no threat to you. I lost my home a few years back and have been living with the Elder pack since then. Elder Warrick insisted I come, but I didn't expect to find my mate here."

I smiled.

I looked at Keith, who had the biggest grin on his face.

I turned around as everyone behind introduced themselves to Nora.

I stepped toward the ring as an announcer stepped inside.

He looked at me and bowed. "Alpha," he murmured.

I nodded.

He took the microphone from someone and started to call out.

"Your first fight will be Luna Roxie against Tammy Harsh," he shouted. "First to come out is...LUNA ROXIE."

I started toward the curtain where they opened, and my mate, my luna, stood there.

I felt proud as she walked to the ring. Her face was blank, but her eyes met mine, and I felt relief. She was nervous, but something was up. She looked like she was trying to concentrate.

"You okay," I asked through our mind link.

"I'm fine," she muttered. "I feel off."

I stared at her.

"You don't have to..." I started to say, but I was met with a growl. My eyes locked onto hers as I raised my eyebrows at her. "I'm okay," she said. "I need to get through this."

I stared at her for a moment but gave her a slight nod.

Roxie closed the mind link down as she climbed into the ring.

"Blaze," I called out. "Can you tell what's going on with her?"

Blaze moved closer but shrugged.

"Bex told me the same," he muttered. "Something is up, but neither of them tells me anything."

I cleared my throat and tried not to be worried and I didn't want to let Roxie know what I was feeling.

The announcer called out Tammy Harsh. As the curtain was pulled back, she stood there, not on her own; her mate, Demon, was there.

Boos erupted.

No one liked them, that was for sure.

Demon took in everyone, even the alphas, and lunas. He looked like he thought he belonged here.

Why on earth did Alpha Gareth want Tammy and Roxie to fight again?

I glanced toward him. He was sitting with Nathan and another man who only had eyes for Nathan. Nathan looked over at me and nodded.

I nodded slightly, but Nathan stood up and moved to the barrier.

I walked toward him, and he came close.

"Why did your father want Roxie to fight her again?" I asked as he got closer.

Nathan looked over his shoulder and then back at me.

"Demon had my mate captive when he learned about this fight," he murmured. "He wanted Tammy to fight Roxie and let her win so he could take over your pack."

I frowned.

"That won't happen," I said.

Nathan smiled.

"Why do you think she is taking her on?" he asked. "Demon is not cleverer or stronger than you; he thinks Tammy will be able to fight Roxie and win. We both know they like to cheat, so I knew you would take care of him."

"So you want me and Roxie to fight your battles," I growled.

Nathan shook his head.

"The man I am next to is one of his men," he said. "I can take him out when Tammy and Demon are captured. We will deal with them, but not only that, why not let Tammy get her ass kicked by Roxie again. As for Demon, he won't resist trying to take her out, but you will end him before he does. Demon won't be able to fight again after this, making them traitors to everyone in this industry."

I stared at him.

"Fine," I snarled. "Make sure they get the higher treason."

Nathan nodded.

I looked up and noticed the man staring at us. Alpha Gareth glared at him, but his eyes met mine, and he nodded.

"My father knows," Nathan called out.

I looked at him, slightly confused, but it hit me.

I smiled.

I turned around and looked into the ring.

Roxie was staring Tammy down, who seemed to be making some interesting statements about being the next Luna.

I looked at Demon, who was staring back at me.

Blaze growled.

"Let me take him." he muttered.

"No," I said. "Let's see what Roxie can do."

I walked toward the ring and stood in Roxie's corner.

The announcer ushered Demon out, who was glaring at me.

Demon stares as he goes to Tammy's corner.

The announcer called for the bell, and the bell rang out, indicating the fight was starting.

Everyone was up on their feet, chanting.

I watched as Roxie and Tammy circled one another.

Tammy started by grabbing at Roxie, but Roxie flipped Tammy over her arm and made her land on her ass. Roxie pulled on her arm and twisted it around her back, causing Tammy to roar in pain.

Demon growled.

I watched it.

The announcer tapped Roxie to let go, and Roxie moved back, but Tammy turned around fast, using her werewolf speed, and trapped Roxie into the corner. Tammy punched both sides of Roxie, and all Roxie could do was block each of them.

Tammy stepped back, but Roxie was too quick and kicked her in the stomach, making her land with a thud on the ground. Roxie kicked again, which hit Tammy square in the face, sending her back.

I heard movement and noticed Demon climbing the ring to get in. I used my speed, ran around the ring, and grabbed his leg, pulling him down and onto the ground.

Demon growled, and his eyes changed to his wolf.

Blaze came forward and joined me; we snarled.

I looked over to Huw and motioned him to help.

Huw climbed over and grabbed hold of Demon, but he got out of his grasp and launched at me. I moved fast as he hit the ring post hard, and I gripped him and growled into his face. "Back down," I sneered. "You lose."

Demon glares his teeth as I grip him tighter.

"Trust me, rogue," I said. "You will not make it out of this alive. Now, hope you tell Alpha Gareth and his son where his mate is, or I can make you suffer."

I looked at the ring and noticed that Roxie had Tammy face down in the ring, covered in blood, punching her. I made Demon turn around but ensured I had a firm grip on him. "Or I will make sure your mate won't leave this ring alive," I sneered in his ear.

Demon growls.

"Luna Roxie will kill her," I muttered. "She will tear out her heart right now in front of everyone, especially all the alphas and elders, to see how powerful she is."

Demon stilled.

I knew I had him.

Huw was standing next to me and placed silver handcuffs on Demon, making him hiss out in pain.

Huw and I held him in place while watching Roxie completely take Tammy out.

Roxie picked up Tammy and slammed her back down in the middle of the ring, and she drove her foot into Tammy's side. I glanced at Tammy, but her eyes weren't own.

"Looks like my mate will win," Demon muttered.

I held onto him as I watched Tammy's eyes change to her wolf, but Roxie knew. I could see Bex come closer, swipe at Tammy's neck with a fist, and drop to the ground.

"NNNNOOOO," roared Demon as his mate spat out blood from her mouth and looked at him.

Bex went back and grabbed Tammy by the hair, pulling her toward her hard and holding her leg too.

Tammy whined as the pain came.

I knew that pain all too well, as Roxie used it on me when we fought. It felt like your stiff leg was being torn apart; there was a technique that Keith showed her, and I have to say, whatever it was, it was effective.

The announcer crouched down, asking Tammy if she gave.

Tammy growled and shook her head.

I watched Roxie hold onto Tammy and pull harder on both limbs, using everything she had.

Tammy whimpered, and her wolf came forward, but she was no match for Roxie.

After a few moments, there was a loud crack, and Tammy cried.

Roxie let go as the announcer called time.

I watched as he lifted Roxie's arm and called her the winner.

The whole building roared into chants and cheers.

I smiled as my eyes met my mate.

She smiled, but she moved her hand from the announcer. She leaned into me and whispered.

I looked at Huw and motioned for another two pack members to come to us. "Huw, take this piece of trash to the cells," I muttered as I watched the announcer hand Roxie, the microphone. "His mate will join him once she gets medical treatment. They will be leaving with Alpha Gareth and Nathan."

Huw nodded as the three men took Demon away. I looked up at Nathan, who had Demon's man on the ground. He looked at me and nodded.

I turned to look at the ring, just in time for my mate to talk.

"I want to thank everyone here," she called out, making everyone stop what they were doing. "I wanted this ultimate fight to show you what I am capable of, and now you know. I will never back down from a fight and won't let anyone hurt my pack. If you have a problem with us, come to us, and we will try to resolve issues of conflict between packs, but I will state this, Alpha Lex and I will do anything for our pack members, and I will not stand for anyone who will tear us apart."

Roxie stared out, taking in every alpha and Elder.

"We will come to any aid of any friend willing to stand with us, not against us," she continued. "I will die protecting this pack and even for my mate. This is one pack no one will defeat."

Everyone stared at Roxie, taking in everything she had said. The fact that Tammy was lying on the floor in severe pain was nothing. They all just witnessed her break her leg and win a fight.

"I won't be fighting in the ultimate fights again; this was my last," she shouted. "I want to be here for my pack, as their Luna."

I couldn't help but feel pride wash over me.

Murmurs from pack members could be heard. I looked around and noticed many were nodding, and many were proud to call her their Luna.

"Now," she said. "I will hand you over to Alpha Frank, so you can all carry on with the fight."

Roxie handed the microphone back to the announcer, who smiled.

All the room erupted again into cheering and clapping at what she said.

I looked toward my father, who wore a proud smile as he headed into the ring.

I looked to where Roxie was, but she wasn't there.

I looked around, trying to figure out where the hell she was.

I opened a mind link to her. "Where did you go?" I asked. There was nothing. I looked at my father, who was staring back at me. He opens a mind link to me. "Get backstage now," he murmured. "Roxie needs you. Don't worry about the rest of the evening. You need to be with Roxie." I didn't say anything as I turned on my heel as my father spoke to everyone else. I didn't know what was said, as I used my speed to get backstage. A scent hit my nose as I approached, which had me panting hard. "MATE IN HEAT," growls Blaze in my head. I followed Roxie's scent and found her room. As I approach, I turn the corner. I spot two men there, trying to get in. I growled. "Get. The. Fuck. Away." I grit out. Both men looked at me, and eyes widened, their hands going up in surrender. As I get closer, they both run. I opened the door, only to be jumped on by Roxie as she slammed her mouth onto mine. Her legs wrap around me, and I carry her inside while I kiss her back hard. Roxie used her strength and pushed all of her weight, making me stumble back into the door. Roxie pinned me to the door. Her body was on fire. She was burning up. Roxie moved away, panting. "TOO HOT," she moaned and kissed me again. Fuck.

I knew I wanted her in all ways to Sunday, but her heat was one thing that wasn't on the agenda.

## **Chapter 98 - Welcome Home Mate**

# **ROXIE** It could only happen to me. My heat came. After the speech, I felt my skin prick with heat, and I knew I needed to get out of the building, or away at least. The announcer grabbed the microphone, and I left. I knew I should have mind-linked Lex, but I needed to get out. I walked through the corridor and headed to my room. My skin was on fire, and I was burning up. Bex was panting hard in my head. "Need mate," she whined as I walked. I needed to get out of dodge. I walked toward my room, and there was no one around until I walked around the corner. Two men, who were the ones who helped set up earlier, came around the corner. They smiled at me, but all I could do was grimace. One sniffed the air, and his eyes went to his wolves as he licked his lips. Fuck. I quickly opened my door without saying anything and slammed it shut behind me. My scent must have been strong. I heard a few bangs on the door as I held the door closed with my back. I had to close my eyes as my skin burned up more.

Ahh, I was on fire.

The pain came through me like a sharp knife entering my lower parts, making me groan. I knew I should mind link Lex, but I couldn't think straight.

I heard a few words from behind the door, but the scent brought me back.

I knew who it was.

Lex.

After a few moments, the door opened by him, but all I could do was jump into his arms and kiss him.

His touch cooled me; it was calming as he walked in with me and slammed the door behind him. I could feel his cock harden underneath me. I used all my weight and made Lex stumble back into the door as I grind on him.

My kisses were frantic, but I pulled back and moaned.

"TOO HOT," I moaned and slammed my lips back on his.

Lex kissed me back as his hands moved to my waist and held me still. A low growl escaped from his chest as it vibrated, causing me to stop. I pull back and pant.

Lex stares at me as his eyes flicker from his eyes to Blaze and back to his again.

Bex was whining in my head, howling. She wanted our mate.

"Rox," he gritted out. "We need to cool you down."

I didn't say anything as he moved away from the door and carried me into the shower room.

My skin started to heat up again, but as soon as we went inside, Lex switched the shower to freezing, and the water hit my skin.

It was refreshing for a moment as I leaned against Lex, as the water cooled me down.

"I got you, babe," whispered Lex as I rested my head on his. "Cool down, and I will get you out of here and back to our house."

I nodded but couldn't say anything.

I pulled back after a few seconds and looked at him.

My skin was hot to the touch, even though I was under the water and even with Lex. But as I was about to say something, pain radiated and made me scream.

"AHH..." I screamed.

"It hurts," Bex says as she rolls around my head.

"Lex," I groaned. "I need help."

Lex leaned me back onto the cold tiles, moved his hand to the front of my shorts, and cupped my pussy.

I moaned.

"I need you..." I groan out as I grind onto his hand.

I looked up at Lex and slammed my mouth on his again.

I needed more of him.

I kiss him, but he moves his head, kisses the corner of my mouth, and moves as his lips move down my neck.

I pant hard.

"You need help baby," he says against my skin, sending ripples of pleasure through me.

"Please," I gasp out as he sucks my neck, and his hand on my pussy moves; he puts a finger to my folds and teases the entrance.

"Lex," I gritted out.

Lex moves his finger back, and two digits move inside me and go as deep as he can.

Bex howls in delight at the contact from Lex.

I moan and grind on his hand to get what I need as his lips stay on my neck. "Use my fingers, princess," he murmurs.

I do as he says to me as I grind more. My moans echo around the shower as Lex fingers me.

Lex moves to my mark and sucks on it, sending my pussy into a throbbing mess.

"Lex," I moan as I grind more on his fingers. "I need..." I can't get out what I want to say as he sucks harder on my mark, sending my throbbing pussy into a tidal wave of pleasure. I come so hard, and I hear Lex grunt out. "Fuck," as I moan out his name loudly.

"Lex," I moaned.

Bex pants in my head, but she whines. I know she needs more, and so do I.

I grind a little on his fingers as Lex moves up my neck and back to my mouth and kisses me again. He pulls back slightly, and leans his head on mine as I pant somewhat. "Rox," he murmurs. "I would have fucked you, but I didn't want..." he said, but I moved away and kissed him.

I wanted him more, as much as the orgasm rippled and calmed me. My body was heating up again. I read all the stories about heat, and it will subside by having intercourse, and that was all I needed.

As my fire flared up again, I pulled back and stared at my mate.

Bex pants. "Need more," she whines. "Need mate more."

I needed him to know.

"Lex, as much as you don't want anyone to hear anything," I murmured, kissing his lips before continuing. "I need your cock inside me now, and hard as you can give it to me," I said. "This isn't going anytime soon till I have you, and you know it."

Lex stared at me and growled.

"Fuck, Rox," he says as he sniffs. "Your scent..." he said but stared back blankly at me for a moment till he returned to me.

Lex didn't say anything as he unraveled me from his waist and made me stand in front of him under the water, which was now not doing anything for me.

Lex placed his hand on my shoulders and pushed me to the wall as I cocked my head.

What the hell was he doing?

I could feel Bex move in my head and pant, but she never said anything but how she was acting; she was one happy wolf.

Lex keeps his hand on my shoulder as the other shreds his clothes away from him. I growled as he became naked, but Lex wasn't there; as I looked into his eyes; I was met with Blaze staring back.

"Human will fuck you so good, little mate," he whispered and moved toward me, closing the gap between Lex and me. Blaze looks down at me and kisses me.

After a few seconds, Lex returns, revealing that it is him, and picks me up. I wrap my legs around him, and he carries me to the changing room. My skin becomes hotter again but cools as Lex moves his hands up and down my back.

I stare at him as he looks at me and places me on the table in my room.

Lex stood in between my legs and spread them wide. He stares at me and licks his lips.

"Down," he rasps as his eyes met mine, he takes a step back, and I get down. Lex places his hand on my hips and turns me around, leaning into the crook of my neck.

Bex pants hard in my head as excitement ignites her, but our heat is stronger again.

"Bend over and spread those legs, princess," he murmurs as he kisses my shoulder. I move and do as he says and bend over the table with my front half pressed against it. I get into position, and Lex steps closer and spreads me wider. "That's better," he grunts as he places a kiss on my shoulder and moves down my body, placing his lips everywhere, including my scar.

I moan at his touch.

Lex moves, but I look over my shoulder but couldn't see him.

"I'm eating this fine pussy," he blurts and slaps my ass, which sends a ripple of pleasure through me. "When you need my cock, you tell me, and I will fuck you hard," he says and places a finger to my folds and gently strokes.

"Yes," I rasped out.

Lex places his finger on my folds but doesn't go in. I feel his face closer as his tongue slides in, sending me into a moaning mess.

Lex started to eat my pussy hard as his finger went to my clit.

My heat is there, but everything he is doing calms me, but not for long as I grind against his face.

"Lex," I moan. "I need your cock."

My body flares up as his tongue slips out of me. Lex moves up and kisses my neck as I feel his cock press against my pussy.

"Please," I beg as I turn and find his lips near mine, I kiss him as he pulls back slightly and slams into me hard.

I gasp against his mouth as he grunts.

Lex starts to thrust into my pussy, hard. He moves away from my lips and backs up, placing a hand on my back to keep me in place. Lex moves his hands to my hips and pounds hard into my throbbing pussy.

Moans and grunts escape us as he slams into me hard with every thrust he gives me.

Bex is panting and howling in my head.

"Lex," I moan out as my pussy starts to clench around his cock; I feel his cock twitch, and I know he is close; I move my hips with his movements which send us moaning louder as he fucks me harder, hiding a spot that sends me over the edge and explodes around his cock hard, moaning out his name as he finds his own release straight after mine.

"ROX," he roared out as he thrusts rigidly but slowed after a few moments.

After a few thrusts, we were left panting hard, and my heat died; no more heat or fire was burning inside me.

I look over my shoulder to see Lex moves slightly, and his cock leaves my pussy. I move as come slips past my folds and runs down my thighs.

I move and stand up, turning to face Lex.

I wrap my arms around his neck and pull him closer to me.

Lex smiles.

"Feel better," he murmurs as he kisses my lips.

I could feel Bex move back slightly, but I knew it wouldn't last.

I nod.

"Yeah," I said.

Lex sighs.

"We need to get you home," he said. "We can ride out your heat there."

I nodded.

I let go of Lex and grabbed my bag that Sofia had brought here yesterday; she placed another dress into the bag as she wanted me to wear it to the party.

I pulled it out and realized it was a strappy dress.

I didn't bother with underwear as we were going back home.

Once I was ready, Lex had my towel wrapped around him.

I couldn't help but laugh slightly.

Lex frowned.

"Blaze took over as he knew you needed me," he murmured and walked up to me, placing his hands on my hips. "Now, move."

I smiled.

Lex and I left the changing room.

We headed to the side, but there was an omega who was blushing red as she saw us approach. "This way, Alpha and Luna," she whispered. "Everyone is still watching the fights."

I nodded.

We both walked past her and headed straight outside.

A cool breeze spread across my skin as the omega closed the door behind us.

Lex and I walked toward the entrance of the forest. We walked for about twenty minutes and talked about a few things, but my body was acting up again as it did before the ceremony.

After what happened after the fight, I knew it was my heat coming again.

We arrived at the house when my heat came like a hurricane.

Lex opened the door and growled as he pulled me inside.

He slammed the door shut, with me against it, as his lips found mine. His tongue slipped inside my mouth and roamed around. He pulled back, panting as he dropped the towel and was again naked.

I looked at him as his hands went to my dress and lifted it over my head.

"Now," he said, discarding my dress to the floor. He placed his hand on the lock and twisted it to lock, but his eyes never left mine. "I am going to take my horny little mate," he said, leaning into the crook of my neck.

My heat made my skin burn again, but Lex's touch was helping slightly.

"Lex," I moaned as his lips brushed against my skin.

"The next three days, sweetheart," he murmured between kisses. "I am taking you in every position and in every way I can."

A moan left my lips as he tormented me.

"Please," I plead.

Lex kisses up my neck and moves to my mouth. He kisses me gently and pulls away, making me stare up at him. His eyes were full of desire.

"Three full days of fucking you," he rasped.

I growled and launched at him.

"MINE," I growled as I jumped up into his arms, as he slammed me back into the door. I can feel his cock on my dripping pussy as he teases her more by sliding the head of his cock up and down my folds.

I growl.

"Fuck me," I say, my heat taking over me.

Lex stared at me, and with one hard thrust, his cock was inside me again.

Chapter 99

## **Chapter 99 - Welcome Home Mate**

### **ROXIE**

#### FOUR DAYS LATER

My heat was insane.

I was like a wild wolf, trying to jump Lex every time it flared. We stayed in the house for the last three days.

I was laying here awake while looking at the ceiling.

I had to go to the bathroom but didn't want to move.

My body ached everywhere, even in places I didn't know existed.

Lex had me in every position and room like he said he would. Blaze took over at one stage as Lex went rougher. Bex was even trying to come forward too; it was hard to control her sometimes.

The whole experience was weird, to say the least.

I looked back at Bex, but I knew she was still sleeping. Her soft snores were echoing around my head.

I looked back to my side and noticed Lex, who had his arm over his face, but I couldn't tell if he was sleeping.

I moved slowly, only to tense at the pain between my thighs.

"What's wrong?" Murmured Lex, "You're in pain; what's wrong?" Worry came through the mate bond, and I looked over my shoulder to see him staring at me.

I sigh.

"I'm okay," I said. "I'm sore from our activities for the last three days."

Lex stared at me, but a slow smile itched the corners of his mouth.

"Your heat was insane," he said. "It affected us too. Well, the more than it should."

I frowned.

"How?" I asked. "You weren't burning up or anything."

Lex moved up in bed and leaned against the headboard. His eyes never left mine.

"Not in that way," he said. "Your scent was stronger. When your heat came, it made everything through the mate bond heightened and more prominent, and your scent would make us want you more and even send us into a mess."

My eyes widened at him.

That didn't make sense.

Lex stared at me.

"I don't know what to say," I said.

I moved off the bed, taking it slow. I couldn't help but look at my thighs; there were hickeys in between them that Lex had left.

Well, anything short to wear was out of the question, I thought. I walked but moved slowly to the bathroom. I walked in and did what I had to do; after a few seconds, I was ready to climb back into bed. I walked to the bathroom door, and Lex was in the same position I had left him, but his face was blank. He was mind-linking with someone. I strolled back to bed and climbed in next to him. I sat next to him and placed my head on his shoulder. After a few moments, I felt his hand go into mine. I smiled. "My father wants us at the office," he murmured. "If you up to it, that is." I nodded but didn't say anything. "I asked him about what I was on about to you with your heat; he seems to think it might be to do with me finding you earlier, and also, being an alpha would have heightened everything, too," he said. That does make a lot of sense, especially now that we were both Alpha and Luna. I leaned on him, but I have to admit I didn't want to move from this position. I liked being like this with him; it was perfect. "Rox," he whispered, moving his head. He placed a kiss on my head. "We need to be Alpha and Luna now, even though I could stay like this with you." I sighed and moved slightly but looked back at him with a smile. "Ok," I said. "I guess we should. What about food?" Lex chuckled. "Dad has got a spread of food in the office for us," he said. "It will be us, Dad, Tim, Keith, and Nora." I looked at him, confused. Who was Nora?

Mind was turning, but Lex spoke.

"I forgot to tell you," he said, looking guilty. "We were rather occupied mind, or I would have told you when you were awake, but you slept most of the time and would only wake when your heat came back."

I stared at him blankly.

Lex was right. Every time my heat came, we went at it like rabbits. Every time we finished, I was too exhausted to stay awake, and sometimes my heat would wake me up. So the whole three days, it was eating, sleep, and sex. There was no talking in between, only moaning.

"Your uncle found his mate at the fight," he said, pulling me out of my thoughts and making my eyes widen.

Uncle Keith found his mate. He had been waiting for a long time and thought she was dead. He always threw himself into his work and fighting.

"What is she like?" I asked as I looked at Lex, but he shook his head. "I'm not telling you," he said and moved toward me, kissing my shoulder. "You will see her in the office when we get there. I only know that she can't wait to meet you."

I smiled.

Lex leaned further and placed a tender kiss on my lips.

Lex moved, and I followed suit.

"I don't think we will hear much from Blaze and Bex," he said as he walked toward the closet. "They were also affected by the heat."

I didn't say anything, but I agreed with him; Bex won't move for the next few hours.

Lex and I quickly got dressed and headed downstairs.

We headed straight for the front door and walked out.

I closed my eyes and took a deep breath; it was nice to be outside. I missed training and running. I needed to get back to them.

Lex held out his hand, and I took it as we walked toward the pack house. A few members were out, and as we walked past, most bowed and spoke to us.

We soon walked inside and headed straight to the office, where my dad, uncle Keith, Alpha Frank, and a woman were sitting around a table that had been brought into the office. Food was placed all around, and there were two empty seats waiting for us.

Alpha Frank looked up and smiled.

"Lex, Roxie," he said. "Come and sit."

We walked over and took our seats.

I glanced at my father, who smiled. Then I focused on my uncle and the woman next to him. I couldn't help but admire her beauty; she was stunning. Her scent wafted toward me, which sent shivers through me.

A witch.

"Rox," uncle Keith said as he met my eyes. "This is my mate Nora, Nora; this is my niece and Luna of this pack."

Nora turned to look at me and smiled.

"Luna Roxie, it is so lovely to meet you," she said. "I was hoping to speak to you, but Keith told me you were in heat."

A blush spread across my face at the mere mention of my heat. It's normal for she-wolves to have, but talking about it with men around was another matter to me, especially in front of my father and uncle.

I could feel Lex's hand on my thigh, which made me look at him. He smiled.

I cleared my throat.

"It's nice to meet you," I said, glancing back at Nora.

Nora smiled, but she cocked her head to the side. "You are trying to figure out about me," she said, and a smile itched the corner of her mouth. "I'm a witch. I lived amount the Elder pack. I am now moving wherever Keith goes."

I nodded.

"I wasn't..." I started to say, but she shook her head. "It's ok," she said. "I would be suspicious, especially after what you and your pack went through."

I gave her a small smile.

There was silence, but Alpha Frank cleared his throat, making us all look at him.

"Why don't we all dig in?" He said, pointing to the food on the table. "We can catch the new alpha and Luna up on what has been happening over the last three days."

We all started to dig in, and after a few mouthfuls, Alpha Frank began to tell us everything.

"Well, the ultimate fight was a big success," he said. "Everyone was so pleased. Many alphas came up afterward and asked if they could make an appointment to meet with Alpha Lex and work on a treaty with them."

My eyes widened.

"They did," I asked, placing my fork down.

Alpha Frank nodded.

"Yeah," he said, looking at me, but his eyes went to Lex. "I think we should come up with something, make an alliance with them, so if any of them need help when it comes to rogues, we can help, and the same goes with us."

I looked at Lex, who nodded.

"Sounds like a plan," he said and looked at me but looked back at his father. "How about you and I go back and work something out?"

I looked at Alpha Frank, but he looked at me. "What will our Luna be doing?" He asked with a smile.

"Training," I said. "I missed out on three days; I don't want to be behind."

Alpha Frank nodded, but Lex cleared his throat, which made me look at him.

"Actually, Rox, I was thinking," he said as he looked at me. "How about you start training all the new pack members? Try and get them to a place where old pack members are."

I nodded; I liked that idea, but a thought came to mind.

"Yeah," I said, "but I want to run something past you; how about we try training some of the pups? Not the young ones, but from ten onwards, I mean just some basics."

Lex looked at me for a moment, but I carried on. "I think it will benefit them," I said, glancing around the table and letting my eyes land back on Lex. "Just in case they find themselves in a bind or stumble on a rogue, and no one is around."

Lex stared at me, but a slow grin crept across his face.

He looked over to his father, "we will have Roxie train them and anyone else who wants to know more techniques," he said.

I glanced at Alpha Frank, who nodded.

I looked toward my father, who looked proud.

"What do you think, Dad?" I asked.

My father nodded.

"I believe it is a good idea," he said, "you would definitely get the little ones ready."

I smiled.

Uncle Keith and Nora nodded.

"I would like to join," she said with a smile, "I only know a few basics, but I would love to be trained by you."

I smiled.

"Yeah, sure," I said.

We all went back to eating, and the conversation flowed naturally.

"The elders were impressed by Luna Roxie," exclaimed Nora. "Elder Issac nearly had a heartache when he heard the break she caused in that girl's leg."

I stared at her, feeling slightly concerned. Nora shook her head, "Oh, don't worry," she said. "He didn't have one. He didn't expect you or Alpha Lex to do what you did."

I looked at Lex, but something clicked.

Demon.

"I forgot to ask, what happened with Demon?" I asked.

Lex looked at me and started to tell me what Nathan had told him. I couldn't help the anger that came.

"What happened to Tammy and Demon?" I asked, looking around, but my eyes landed on Alpha Frank, who had a grin.

"Oh, he is back at Alpha Gareth's pack," he said. "Both of them, actually. It seems the rogues helped themselves the last time to money and valuables too. Alpha Nathan and Alpha Gareth have them in the cells, but an elder will be there, and they will kill them."

I stared back, wide-eyed.

Good, they deserve death. I was not only stealing but blackmailing Alphas too. There would be no better punishment for them; besides, it sends a message to everyone that the pack will not tolerate any behavior.

After another hour, everyone decided to leave.

I moved from the table and was about to go when Lex wrapped his arms around me and leaned into my neck, exhaling my scent.

"Where do you think you are going?" He murmured against my neck.

He kissed my neck.

"I'm going to train," I said, clearing my throat, trying not to let him know he was affecting me. "You need to stay with your father and come up with that treaty for the alphas, and I will see you back at the house."

Lex kissed my neck again but didn't move.

"Actually," he said, pulling back, which made me look over my shoulder as he continued talking. "My father and I will talk, but I won't stay too long," he said, "I will come to the training grounds and train with you."

I smiled.

"Okay," I said. "I will see you in a little bit."

Lex nodded and let me go.

I walked out of the office and headed to our house to get changed for training.

I wanted to train and take notes on who needed to prepare more.

I wanted this pack to be prepared for anything.

Chapter 100

## **Chapter 100 - Welcome Home Mate**

### LEX

### TWO MONTHS LATER

I watch as Roxie shows a new move to the pack members.

I watch her like a hawk.

I have been worried about her; lately, she has been feeling unwell but won't see the pack doctor. It has only been for the last two weeks. She has been tired and moody, but when I ask her to take it easy, she won't listen.

Roxie has been all about the training and her Luna duties and was placing everything down on the amount she was doing. In all fairness, she has been doing everything she had set out to do, and I was proud of her and taking everything in her stride.

All pack members go to her whenever there is an issue or even to chat. It's so lovely how everything has been.

My eyes stayed glued to her, but I noticed Huw doing the same. He told me the day before that she was sick in a bush during a training session, but when he told her to rest, she growled at him.

Blaze was pacing in my head. He has asked Bex, but she has bitten his head off a few times. He could feel something was up with her but couldn't figure it out.

"Mate looks pale," Blaze moved closer to watch her.

I noticed that.

She showed them the move and told them to try it, but once the pack members started, Roxie crouched down and took deep breaths.

Something was wrong; I just wished she would listen to me and go to see the pack doctor.

I could feel a mind link come through, and it was my Dad.

"Hey, son," he said, "the alpha from the forest moon has agreed to the terms of what we have mentioned and will be attending the meeting we have organized in several months for them all to sign the treaty."

I sighed.

"Okay," I said. "Make a list of who is attending, and we can figure out where to hold the meeting when we have the numbers."

"Ok," he said but let a low sigh. "How's Roxie? Tim's worried about her; he thinks she is doing too much and stressed out."

I sighed.

"Still the same," I said, "she point blank won't go to see the doctor. I'm with her now at the training grounds; I'm worried..." I start to say, but shouting erupts around me. "I have to go," I said, closing down the mind link.

I looked back, and there was Huw, waving frantically at me.

My eyes went to the ground, and Roxie was lying on the ground, not moving.

"ALPHA LEX," shouted Huw. "HURRY, IT'S LUNA."

I used my speed to get to her and knelt, picking her up bridal style. I look to Huw, "what happened?" I asked, looking down at Roxie in my arms.

"Luna was about to say something, but she gripped her head and collapsed to the ground," he said. I looked at him, worry clearly in place.

Huw has been working alongside Roxie with everything, including her Luna duties and training; he has been more like her bodyguard and friend.

"I will take her to the pack hospital," I said, turning away from him. "You take over, and I will keep you posted on what's going on."

I left, not waiting for his reply.

I walk Roxie to the pack hospital. I sent a quick mind link to the pack doctor to be there when I get there.

Blaze comes closer and looks down at Roxie, worry consuming us.

"Mate?" He whined.

"I can't get through to Bex," he whimpered.

I walked faster, not saying a word, and as I approached the pack hospital, the doctor was waiting for me with a stretcher for Roxie.

I placed her down, and the doctor went to take her away.

I followed, but a nurse stopped me.

"Alpha, you will have to stay here," she said, placing her hand on my arm, stopping me in my tracks. I looked at her. "I need to be with her," I growl.

The nurse flinches at the growl, but her hand stays where it is. "Alpha, the doctor needs to run some tests and find out what is going on," she said. "She needs all the room and even quiet to do it. How about you wait in the waiting room? I will come and get you when the doctor is done."

I stared at her. Her eyes pleaded with me to stay.

All I could do was nod.

The nurse motioned to the waiting room, and I walked in.

I took a seat, but the memory of the last time I had to wait for Roxie in here was after the attack.

I shook the stupid thoughts away and opened a mind link to the family to tell them what had happened; once the mind link was closed, I leaned back in my chair and closed my eyes, praying for some sign that Roxie was alright.

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An hour later, everyone was waiting in the waiting room with me, and there was still no sign of the doctor.

I was starting to panic, but the door to the waiting room opened, and the nurse from earlier walked in.

I stood up quickly and walked over to her. The nurse scanned around till her eyes met mine.

"Alpha, the doctor would like me to take you to the Luna," she said but glanced to the others. "You will have to wait until the doctor has spoken to the alpha and Luna; then, it will be up to Alpha and the Luna to tell you."

I stared at her, feeling slightly confused.

I didn't bother looking at anyone as the nurse turned on her heel and walked away. I followed her.

We headed down a corridor and into a suite.

As the nurse opened the door, I walked past her to see Roxie looking back at me, and the doctor stood by her side.

I walked over to her.

"Rox," I murmured, "you had me worried."

I looked at the doctor as I took Roxie's hand in mine.

The doctor smiled and motioned for me to sit.

I shook my head as Blaze came closer.

Since we entered the pack hospital, he has been quiet. He hasn't even said a word to me.

I sat down as soon as the nurse placed a chair behind me. I put Roxie's hand to my mouth and kissed it.

"Please tell me what's going on," I asked, looking at the doctor.

"Lex," murmured Roxie, making me look at her. Her eyes bore into mine. "I should have listened to you," she said as a lone tear slid down her face. "I should have come here to get checked out."

"It's ok," I said, kissing her hand again.

I looked at the doctor.

"So, what's wrong with Luna Roxie?" I asked.

The doctor looked at me, and a smile slid across her face.

"There's nothing to worry about," she said, which made me frown, but I let the doctor carry on. "Luna Roxie collapsed due to dehydration, overworking too much."

The doctor moves slightly and clears her throat.

"I ran some tests, and we have all the treats results back, which are normal, but..." she said, as she looked between us.

I stared at her; my stomach was in my mouth. Something was clearly wrong with my mate, but why wasn't she saying anything?

"I have to say congratulations," she said, confusing me.

The doctor looked at Roxie and me, "you are expecting Luna," she said with a beaming smile.

My mind went blank.

"Lex." Roxie said.

I shook my head and looked at her; Blaze was howling and excited in my head, chanting, "we have a pup," loudly.

Roxie stares back at me, concern written all over her face.

"Lex, you okay?" She asked.

I moved toward her and kissed her on the lips.

I kiss her softly and pull back, leaning my head on hers. "We're having a baby," I murmured, "of course, I'm excited."

I move back and look at her. Roxie smiles, but tears flow down.

I wipe them away with my finger. "What's wrong?" I asked. Roxie sniffed. "I don't know," she whimpered, "I don't usually cry over things like this." I smile. "Luna, that would be your hormones," the doctor says, making me look at her. "It's a natural thing. I think we should see how far along you are. Would you like to see your child?" I nodded but turned to look at Roxie, who was now crying more. "Yes," was all she could say. "The nurse is bringing the sonogram now, and we will have a look," she said. I didn't look back at the doctor. I kept my eyes on Roxie. I move toward her, moving my hand from hers; I cup her face with both hands and kiss her softly, moving back and resting my head on hers. I held her like that till the doctor was ready. "We are ready," she said as I moved back into place. Roxie sighs and lifts her top. The doctor squirts gel on her stomach. Roxie places her hand in mine and squeezes, but we both look at the screen, waiting to see our baby. The doctor moved slightly over Roxie's stomach, and it didn't take long to find the baby. My eyes rounded as I watched the blob move. It was bigger. "I'm going to take some measurements," the doctor said. We sat in silence as the doctor moved around and did whatever she needed to do. The doctor looked over at us and smiled.

"Well, it seems that Luna, you are two months along," she said.

My eyes went wide.

"Two months. I didn't feel or know," Roxie said, surprised. "I only have three months left." The doctor nodded. "It seems little one likes to rest back to back with you," she said as she turned the monitor to show us. "You may be small during this pregnancy if the baby doesn't move, but the little one is all healthy." I felt happiness wash through me and the mate bond. I was over the moon. "Can we have a picture?" Blurts Roxie. "Of course," she said. I looked at Roxie, whose eyes were glued to the screen. I gently squeeze her hand. "We have a pup," she murmurs, but everyone hears her. I smile. I could hear chattering in my head and knew it was our wolves. I ignored them. "Shall I bring in your family?' Asked the nurse, which made me look over at her. I shook my head. "Ten minutes," I said. The nurse smiled and nodded. I moved out of the chair and sat on the bed, pulling Roxie into me. She placed her head on my shoulder as the doctor handed her a photo of our child. I kept my eyes focused on it. "I think it's a boy," I blurt out, which made Roxie look away and look at me. She smiles. "Well, we will have to wait till I give birth," she said. "I want to be surprised." I smiled. I liked the idea of not knowing; it will make it worthwhile.

I looked at her.

"I like that," I said as I moved closer to her lips but stopped. "But I do think it's a boy," I say.

Roxie kisses me but moves away and opens her mouth, but someone speaks instead.

"You're pregnant," said my father. We both turn and watch as all our family moves into the room, all grinning.

I looked at Roxie, staring back at everyone with a beaming smile.

"We're having a baby," she says, looking back at me.

Everyone comes in and congratulates us.

After a few moments, my father sighs.

"We will have a new alpha train," he said, pride written all over his face. "I believe I hear every alpha has a son first."

I grinned but looked at Roxie, who shook her head.

"You might be wrong; it could be a girl," she said. "Anyway, boy or girl, this baby will be loved and will be the future alpha of this pack," placing her hand on her stomach.

I moved my hand and placed it on top of hers, looking at my father with a smile. "Boy or girl," I said, "we will have a new line to the pack."

My father smiled.

"I believe a girl would be a first for this pack to take over," he said and nodded. "We don't have to be like everyone else; change is good for us."

I couldn't agree more with that statement.

Whatever we have, the baby will be adored by us, our family, and our pack.

**Epilogue** 

**ROXIE** 

#### A YEAR LATER

I lean back on the couch and quickly place the bowl of strawberries on my ever-growing bump and settle in to watch the movie that Harlow picked out.

I watched as our daughter climbed into Lex's lap and snuggled in to watch her favorite princess, Rapunzel.

I smiled.

Even though we didn't know what Harlow was, I knew deep down our first pup would be a girl. There was a bet going on within the pack, what the sex of the baby was, and I won the entire stake.

The moment Harlow was born, she was a Daddy's girl. Well, that would be all the men in our lives actually, especially her grandfathers. She has Lex's wrapped around her little fingers before she could do anything.

Lex has been fantastic as a father and as an alpha, too; he wakes up early for training and then heads to do his alpha duties. Lex does have this one rule that he follows every evening, he has to be home no later than six, as he wants to see our daughter and to be there before she goes to sleep. It has been the main rule in our home.

After Harlow, I went back to training before falling pregnant again. I have been training all pack members and have already made an ultimate fighter out of three of our warriors. Next year, we are setting up a tournament that all pack members could try out for, and we are holding a prize for the winner; they would get to train with Uncle Keith. It was a big hit, Lex and I already think we might do this every year, but it all depends on what happens this year.

As for Uncle Keith, he and Nora decided to stay within the pack and are now pack members with higher-ranking roles. There has been an increase of mates this year, and even a second chance mate for my father, no less, which was nice. Everyone is happy for him and Rosa; she is lovely and has even got him to move on.

It is not without saying that mum is not too far from our thoughts, and we all talk about her occasionally. Rosa lost her first mate about eight years ago and didn't even believe in second chances. They are well suited for one another.

Alpha Frank, well now just Frank since we took over, has chosen to have fun and found a chosen mate, Olive. He has often been caught in some situations with her, including by Lex, which was fun to watch, especially when he tries not to look embarrassed.

My mind wonders to Jason and Sofia; not long after we announced to everyone about Harlow, they were expecting. They had a boy, Jacob, who looks more like Jason daily. Jason became the official beta not long after and had Uncle Keith helping him.

I looked toward Lex, who was staring at me.

"How are the nuggets doing?" He asked as he moved Harlow into a better position to see, but she wanted him to snuggle her in as she placed her head into the crook of his neck. Harlow was tired; she did that whenever she was ready to fall asleep.

"They are doing well," I said as I popped a strawberry into my mouth, "they just need to keep off my bladder, or they can evict themselves now."

Lex chuckled.

We found out three months ago that we expect identical twin boys. We found out what we are having yesterday, and we can't wait.

"We should come up with some names," he said as he leaned further back into the couch, "I just hope they don't do what little one here did to us."

I nodded but looked toward the TV.

My thoughts went to that day, the treat. We held it here just before Harlow's due day. Everything was great until she wanted to make her appearance known to everyone as I went into labor. Everyone stayed around, waiting to find out what we had. We announced that we had a girl, and everyone congratulated us; not one bothered that she was a girl, but after a few hours, Lex met with everyone, and they all signed the treaty, even the Elders. I was surprised to see the Elders participate, but Nora told me they would, as I scared most of them. I can still remember Elder Issac smiling at me when I walked into the room; I made it my mission to make him feel uncomfortable after learning that, which amused Lex more.

"What about Bruce?" Lex called out, which made me move quickly and glare back at him.

"NO," I growled.

Lex looked at me, and a grin appeared.

"Do you have any suggestions?" He asked as he moved slightly, moving closer to me with Harlow clinging to his neck. I stared at him as he sat closer, placed his hand on my thigh, moved away, and tried to grab some strawberries.

"Drop it or get stabbed," I warned, which earned a chuckle.

He grabbed one but leaned closer.

"I love/hate these hormones," he whispered, leaning closer to my ear, "but I hope you have the horny stage as you did with Harlow."

I could feel his excitement run through the mate bond, and my core wasn't helping.

Bex moved slightly and huffed.

"Nope," she murmured, "they can stay away."

I looked back at her, but her face was in a pout.

"What crawled up your ass?" I asked.

Bex cocked her head to the side and grunted.

"They get to shift, and we don't because we are carrying the pups," she muttered, "not fair."

I know that feeling and couldn't help but feel the same.

Bex and I didn't know we were expecting Harlow until two months later; we shifted right up until we found out about her, and then the doctor told us we couldn't, which we didn't.

We had to be extra careful due to the twins, but Bex and I got into a routine after we were ready to return to work after Harlow. We decided to go for a run every morning in her form. Blaze and Lex would sometimes come with us if one of our fathers watched Harlow. It was nice for her to have some freedom.

"What's up?" Lex called, pulling me back to him.

I looked back and sighed.

"Bex is annoyed that we can't shift," I said, "I think she is missing her runs."

I looked to Lex, who nodded.

"I know what you mean; Blaze has been on about it too," he said.

Pregnancy affects both the human and the wolf in every way. I could hear movement in my head and voices, indicating that Blaze and Bex were talking. I knew Blaze had settled her, and he knew the right words to calm her.

"I think Blaze is talking to her," I said to him.

Lex nodded and moved slightly, placing his head on the cushion behind us.

"Little princess has gone to sleep," he murmured, "I'm going to stay by here for a little while and snooze. I have missed her today."

I nodded and placed my head on his shoulder. I felt warmth radiating from him. I could easily fall asleep like this.

After everything we had been thorough over the first few months of me finding out that Lex was my mate, and after everything with attacks and being alpha and Luna, everything only has gotten better. There have been fewer rogue attacks, but we still get some, but at least there is no alpha behind them.

The pack is in control and has plans for everything, especially any attacks. I feel sorry for those who try; they won't know what hit them. Every pack member has been training, and they all have come a long way in the past year.

We know we are not perfect, but our kind is not, but we all have each other.

I could feel my eyes close as I leaned on Lex.

Lex's hand goes into mine and moves his head, placing a kiss on mine.

"Sleep," he murmurs with a yawn, "I love you, Rox."

"I love you too," I say as I let the darkness take hold of me.

I am where I need to be, and that is here with my mate, children, family, and pack.

\*\*\*THE END\*\*\*