

Alphas Broken Mate Chapter 36

Catalina's POV

Over the next 4 days, things have been pretty repetitive. In the morning Sarah and I would go to training, then breakfast, then Carrie would come over and we'd all hang out, and either go for a run or watch movies. We'd have lunch, then the guys will hang out with us for awhile and try and talk us into something for that night, we always agree. It was nice having friends and being normal. I'd spoken to Liam on the first day before he went into battle, but he's been silent the last 3 days which has me worried. I hope he comes back soon. Carrie seems to be taking his absence hard as well. My thoughts drift to Andrew every now and then. With not much to distract me, his face would pop into my mind more than I care to admit.

Today is day 6 since Liam left. Sarah wakes me up to get ready for training. I get up and get dressed. I check my phone, but no messages have come in. My stomach falls, I'm sad, I just want this to be over, but I push past it. I head out to the training facility with Sarah and Jim. We get through the training, it always feels good to get my energy out through a good workout. However I do have to ease up, since no one over level 5 is here to train with. We head back to the pack house for breakfast when I see two cars pull up.

I catch my breath when I see Liam getting out of one of the cars. He turns to where I am and smiles. He's back! He's alive. I don't even think, I run towards him. I jump and wrap my arms around his neck. He wraps his arms around me and picks me up. I hug him so tight. I didn't realize how tense I have been over the past 6 days until I relaxed in his arms. I wrap my legs around his waist.

"Hello love." He whispers in my ear. I breathe him in deep, I missed his smell. He does the same thing in the crook of my neck. I pull back and look in his eyes. Then I punch his chest.

"You stopped texting me. I was so worried." I pout. And hit him again. He laughs.

"I'm sorry love, I was an i***t and broke my phone." He says with a smile.

"Yeah I don't know why he brought it into battle with him." Jet says from behind him. I smile at seeing Jet, I'm glad he's ok.

"3 days Liam." I saying pouting again.

"I know baby. Believe me I know. I'm sorry I made you worry." He says pressing his forehead to mine. I cup his face.

"I'm just happy you are back." I whisper.

"Me too." And we kiss again. He puts me down and we all walk inside.

“Lina I need to talk to you about what happened. Before everyone else.” Liam says. I nod and he leads me to his office. When we get in his office he pins me up against the door and his lips are on mine. His kiss is hard and hungry. I feel his hands on my hips and side. His kisses go down my neck, I let out a small moan in my throat. Liam pulls back and we are both panting.

“Sorry I need to stop or I won’t.” He’s leaning with his hands on both sides of me.

“I missed you so much Lina.” He says.

“I missed you too Liam.” I reply. Liam takes my hand and guides me over to a chair. We sit next to each other.

“So I wanted to tell you about what happened.” He starts off.

“We attacked at night, and it seemed they were waiting for us. I’m not sure how, but we were met with a large resistance.” He says.

“Did we lose a lot of warriors?” I asked.

“Not as many as Alpha Francis did.”

“How badly?” I asked

“He lost about 50% of his warriors.” I gasp.

“We lost about 10%.” He added.

“And Alpha Jackson? And Moon Stone Pack?” I ask

“We took out all their warriors. The pack doesn’t exist anymore. But there was one problem.” He says looking at me.

“What?” I ask

“Alpha Jackson got away.” He says. My heart drops into my stomach.

“That’s why it took us so long. We tracked him for days but never found him.” He adds. He looked sad as he said it to me, like he let me down. I place my hand on his.

“Liam it’s ok.” I try to reassure him.

“It’s not ok Lina. I don’t want him coming after you.”

“He doesn’t have a pack anymore. It would be suicide if he came after me on his own.” I know how to defend myself now.

“I still wanted to give you the justice you deserved.” He looked so upset. I get up and sit in his lap straddling him.

“Liam I don’t need justice anymore. I just need you now.” I say and I cup his face and kiss him. His hands grab my a** and pull me into him. His hands go under my shirt up my back. I kiss him harder. I grind into him and hear a moan in his throat. He lifts my shirt over my head and kisses down my neck. The air is getting hot and heavy. I’m breathing heavy. I feel his hands on my bra and he removes it. He kisses down to my bre**t, I moan again. He lets out a growl and in one movement he picks me up, clears his desk, and lays me down. He takes off his shirt and bends down to kiss me. I pull him into me. He pulls back and takes my shorts off. His mouth finds my ni**les again and I arch my back. He kisses me all the way to my panties. He slips them off and kisses my inner thighs. I let out another moan.

“I’ve been thinking about making you moan since I left.” He says and a finger slides into me. His tongue finds my nub and circles it while moving his finger in and out. He started s*****g and pleasure shoots up my body and I arched my back and closed my eyes. He inserted another finger. I feel the pressure building inside me and I want more of him.

“Liam” I moan. “More”

He inserts another finger while s*****g, and I feel the release and moan loudly. I pant as he trails kisses up to me.

“We aren’t done yet beautiful.” I feel him at my entrance as he rubs against me. I smile and pull him into me. I hear him groan in pleasure. He grabs my hips as me moves in and out of me.

“You feel so good Lina.” He says as he looks down at me. He buries his head in my neck. I kiss him in his mark spot and he moans.

“Kayla can I mark him now?” I ask, surprised by my request.

“Soon Lina, not now” she says. I feel Liam graze my spot with his teeth.

“He can’t mark you yet either.” Kayla says. So I pull back.

“Liam” I say and he moves but thrusts faster and harder. The release is coming again. I feel him release and moan, just as I do too. We are both breathing hard and Liam pulls my head to his and he kisses me.

“I love you Lina. I missed you so much.” He says and kisses my nose. I giggle.

“I love you too.”

We get dressed and head back down. Everyone was still in the living room when we came down. Jet wouldn’t look at me, Sarah was giving me a grin, and I had no idea where Carrie was. My

stomach growled and I realized I haven't eaten yet today. Liam looks down and laughs. I guess he heard my stomach growl too.

"Let's get some food beautiful." He says and we head for the cafeteria. We sit at a large table, everyone joins us. I look up and see Carrie come in looking sweaty, I guess she had gone for a run. The guys tell stories from the battle and the journey there. I sit there listening and eating. Mateo told them about the bonfire and how things have been at the pack. Then out of nowhere Alpha Francis storms into the pack house. Liam gets up quickly and goes out to him. They look like they are arguing. Liam glances over his shoulder at me and then they leave, heading upstairs. I'm guessing Liam's office. I thought back to the mess in his office we left behind and it made me blush. I tried to focus back to the group, but then I felt Jet's eyes burning into the side of my face. I glance over and see I was correct. I almost forgot about the way he was acting before he left. Ugh I really don't want to deal with him. Everyone has finished eating and is just chatting. I stand.

"I need to go shower and get training off of me." I say as I walk to the stairs.

"Text me if you want to hang out." Sarah says. I smile and nod. I head upstairs to my room. I have to pass Liam's office to get to my room. I hear shouting as I walk nearer to it.

"You didn't lose almost all your warriors Liam." I hear Alpha Francis yell. I don't want to listen at the door so I keep walking to my room. I get in and start the shower. When I get out of the shower, Liam is waiting for me on my bed.

"I will never get tired of seeing you" he says. I smile at him.

"What was wrong with Alpha Francis?" I ask.

"He's upset with the amount of men he lost. But we came up with an agreement."

"What agreement?"

"His pack will be joining ours." He says flatly.

"What? Seriously?" I ask a little surprised.

"Yes, his son found his mate and can take over his mate's pack. Alpha Francis is getting older so I'll stay the Alpha.. which has me thinking. We need to announce you as my mate and Luna and get you in this pack." He says.

"We can plan it for a week from now. I can make the announcement of the packs combining too." He adds.

"Ok sure." I say with a smile.

“I will let everyone know the plans. I will say I’m going to be a bit busy preparing for the merging of the two packs, but I will always make time for you my love.” He kisses me.

“I understand. I’m just happy you are back.” I tell him. He smiles at me and kisses me again.

“I would love nothing more than to do what we did in my office again, but unfortunately I left Alpha Francis in there.” He says pulling away from me.

“Why did you leave him in your office?” I asked.

“He wanted to make arrangements with his Beta and son. He should be finished by now.” He kisses me one more time before getting up from the bed.

“When I’m done I’ll come find you.” He says as he slips out the door. I get dressed and dry my hair.

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I texted Sarah and she’s coming to see me. I texted Carrie but she hasn’t answered yet. I hear a knock at my door and get up to answer it. Now that Jet is back I can’t just tell people to come in anymore. I opened it to see Sarah smiling.

“What’s up Lina? You ok?” She asks as she steps into the room.

“Yeah I’m fine. Just bored” I say.

“Well you are in luck. A few people are getting together to go to the game house. Want to go?” She asks

“Game house?” I say.

“Yeah that’s what we call it. One of the homes was turned into a gaming house with pool, video games, arcade games stuff like that.”

“Why haven’t we gone before?” I say excitedly.

“It’s not as much fun if it’s only a few people. And everyone was so busy with everyone gone for the war. Now everyone is going to be there.”

“Sure we can go.” I say. Sarah smiles and takes my hand. We head out the door and down the stairs. I don’t hear any voices from Liam’s office when we pass by. We walk outside and head away from the pack house.

“Have you heard Jet is officially taking the Beta position? He going to be so full of himself.” Sarah laughs.

“Liam wants to do the announcement ceremony for us.” I say and Sara stops. She smiles wide.

“Lina I’m so excited. When?” She asks.

“In a week I think.” She looks shocked.

“That’s fast. Ok after today we’ll have to spend every day planing.” She starts walking again.

“My friend the Luna” she says out loud and giggles. We walk a bit longer and come to a large two story building. I see people hanging out on the porch. We walk up and people say hello to Sara and I, some even call me Luna. We walk in to 3 pool tables and darts, card tables, and what looks like a bar in the back. It has a good amount of people, but we could still walk around. Sarah drags me over to one of the pool tables where Mateo and Jim are playing.

“Hey Luna, Sarah. What brings you here?” Mateo asks us.

“Lina was bored so I thought this would be fun.” Sarah says.

“You have to call her Luna Sarah.” Jim says. I smile at their respect for me, it was nice.

“It’s ok really. I’ll wait on the formalities until after the ceremony.” I say. They nod.

“Well I’m still calling you Luna.” Mateo says and Jim nods in agreement. Sarah rolls her eyes, “men” is all she says.

“Well Luna we have pool and some arcade games, darts if you’re feeling lucky. What do you want to do?” Mateo asks me.

“What are you the best at?” I ask. Mateo beams at the question.

“Darts” he says quickly.

“Let’s do it.” I say. Mateo hurries over to a dartboard and we start playing. He was really good. I was alright at best. I honestly just wanted him to do something he’s good at. We played a few rounds and then Carrie shows up.

“Hey Carrie, where have you been?” I ask.

“Sorry Lina I was helping my mom out.” She explains.

“Carrie! Guess who gets to plan the announcement ceremony for Lina!!! US!” Sarah said coming up behind Carrie. Carrie smiled,

“Oh my goodness when is it?” Carrie asks

“In a week.” Sarah told her.

“We have so much to plan. I’m going to go get my mom to send out the invites now. Tomorrow we’ll go shopping for a dress.” And just as quickly as she came, she left. We played some more darts and then some pool. I actually was having a lot of fun. But it felt like my life was just one big circle. I just did this announcement ceremony with Andrew and look how that turned out. I know it’s a formality I need to do. I need to cut my link to Andrew and his pack. Don’t I?

“Kayla?”

“I can’t make this choice for you. This is your first choice Lina. You can keep your connection with Moon Lake pack, or you can cut it and make a new link here.” She says

“Can I have both?” I ask. Kayla grins.

“Now you’re thinking.”

“So I can have two packs?” I ask.

“Lina you can have ALL packs.”

“Right, High Alpha. I guess I don’t really know what that looks like.”

“Soon Lina, very soon. Just keep the course.” Kayla says. I can do this! I can... my attention is brought back to the game of pool I’m playing when Sarah claps my back.

“You in there Lina? It’s your shot.” She says.

“Oh sorry.” I hit and knock a stripe into the hole. Sarah cheers and I hit again. Only this time I miss. We play until it’s dinner time and we head back to the pack house.

“Thanks for taking me I had a lot of fun.” I tell Sarah. She smiles at me.

“I’m glad.” We make it back to the pack house and see Jet and a few others in the living room area talking. When Jet sees me enter he gets up and comes over to me.

“Luna can I speak with you for a moment?” He asks

“Sure Jet. Sarah I’ll meet you in there.” Jet gestures to the porch and we step outside. He closes the door behind us.

“Lina I am now the Beta of this pack and there are things I know. I want to tell you. You need to know what really happened out there.”

“Jet, don’t.” I cut him off and he looks surprised.

“I can’t know the things you want to tell me yet. I need a week. One week before you spill your guts to me.” I say. He’s still looking surprised. He looks around.

“Lina I’ll give you a week, I just hope we have that long.” Jet looks down in thought. “Can I ask you a favor?” He says.

“Go ahead.”

“If it all goes down, let me come with you.” He says. I nod. I’m not sure what he means of what will happen, but he’s been the one trying to help me.

“Kayla, can we?” I ask.

“Yes” I was happy actually she said yes.

“Yes Jet. You can.” He smiles.

“Catalina Black, I, Beta Jethro Wood, vow to protect you until my dying breath.” He says.

“I, Catalina Black, accept your vow of protection.” I say and we smile.

“Let’s head back inside. Jethro.” I say with a huge grin on my face.

“Hey don’t tell anyone!” He says. I giggle.

“Not a soul.” We head into the cafeteria and join Sarah’s table.

“What’s so funny?” Sarah asks me.

“I’m not allowed to say. But you would find it hilarious.” I tell her. Sarah looks at Jet.

“No way, it’s bad enough she knows, I’m definitely not telling you.” He says. Sarah looks disappointed, but she shrugs it off. We eat and chat a bit and then I see Liam enter the cafeteria looking around. When his eyes find me he smiles and waves me over. I excuse myself and walk over to Liam.

“Hello beautiful.” He says as he wraps his arms around me and pulls me in.

“Hey. You ok?” I ask.

“Actually no. I’m exhausted. I slept terribly the last 6 days. I need sleep.”

I look up at him and see the fatigue in his face.

“Will you join me?” He asks with a sad look. How can I say no to that face.

“Fine, but you need to sleep. No monkey business.” I say sternly. He gives me a flirty smile.

“I promise nothing.” He replies. We head upstairs into my room. The closer to my room we get the more I see how tired Liam actually is. When we get inside Liam gets undressed and collapses on to the bed. I get undressed and join him. I’m not as tired but I know he needs me. He pulls me against him and he kisses my neck.

“Lina I love you so much. I can’t tell you how much I missed you. I missed the way you smell.” He whispers.

“I love you too Liam. I missed you a lot.” I whisper back. And just like that, he was asleep.

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When I wake up Liam is still asleep. He is sleeping so peacefully I don’t want to wake him. I get up and get ready for training. I slip out of the room and waiting for me, surprise, surprise, was Jet. He noticed me being quiet and didn’t say anything. We just walked down the hall and down the stairs in silence. When we got outside he relaxed a bit.

“Have you been training while we were gone?” Jet asks.

“Yes. But it wasn’t the same without you.” I say. He smiles. We get to the training facility and I had forgotten how many warriors we have. I got into my level group and Jet leads the training. It was nice to have everyone back, I had to push myself today and it felt good. After training we headed back for breakfast and I checked in on Liam, but he was gone, I’m guessing in his office. I changed and showered and headed back to the cafeteria. I sit with Sarah, Jim, Carrie, Jet, and Mateo, my usual group.

“So after this we have to plan the event.” Carrie says “We can go to my house, my mom and Liam’s mom will be there.” She adds.

“Alright sure thing” I reply.

We finish eating and Carrie and I head to her house. I spend the next 4 hours with Carrie and her mom planning the party. Soon Violet, Liam’s mother, enters and we spend another 2 hours going over things with her.

“How about tomorrow we go over some Luna things to help you get to know the pack?” She asks.

“I’d love to.” I say. After 6 hours of planning and talking I needed to get out of there. I head back to the pack house and run into Sarah on the porch.

“How could you let me go into the lions den and not warn me?” I ask her

“What do you mean?” She looks confused.

“6 hours of planning. 6. I only just left.” I say exhausted sitting down next to her. She just laughs.

“Well there was no way out of it.” She says.

“I have to go back again tomorrow for Luna training.” She laughs again.

“I’m glad I’m not you.” She says.

“You wanna go for a run? Or have you eaten?” She asks.

“Have you seen Liam?” I say.

“Yeah, he went out and got a new phone. He said you can text him now.” I pull out my phone and text Liam. He tells me he will meet me for dinner.

“Do you want to go for a walk?” I ask her.

“Sure.” We walk around the pack lands. We come to a building I haven’t seen yet.

“What’s that building?” I ask her.

“That’s where we keep prisoners.” She says.

“It’s pretty small.” I notice.

“It’s mostly under ground.” We keep walking. We come across a river.

“This river is like our territory border line. It runs all the way across our southern border.” She tells me. I’m happy to learn more of the territory.

“Do you all have any rogues that come through here?” I ask

“Not really. I honestly can’t remember the last time one showed up.”

That's interesting. Rogues were everywhere and most packs had a run in at least once a month. Maybe it was the location. We hung out by the river for a while, hearing the sound of the water rushing by was calming. When we got back to the pack house it was dinner time. Liam was in the living room when we walked in. He walked over to me and kissed me.

"I heard you spent awhile planning. How was it?" He asked.

"It was 6 hours of planning." I emphasize. He chuckles.

"Let's get some dinner I'm starving." He says, and we went and ate. After dinner Liam took me upstairs and we turned on a movie. The second the movie ended Liam pulled me on top of him.

I bend down and kiss him hard. I start to grind on him and I hear a moan in his voice. I smile on his lips and pull away. His hands are on my hips pulling me into him. I run my hands on his chest and lean into his ear.

"You know what I want to do?" I whisper into his ear.

"What's that beautiful?" He whispers back. I pull back from him fast and smile.

"Take a bath." And I hop off him and head for the bathroom. He grabs my waist and pulls me back to the bed. I giggle.

"Now that's mean Lina." He's hovering over me. I'm just giggling.

"You're going to leave your mate wanting you like that?"

"I never said you couldn't join me." I smirk. He smiles back and we get up to take a bath. I run the water a s***p down my clothes. Liam does the same. I can see he's already excited for me. I step into the tub and pull him in as well. I position him to sit at the edge with his feet in the water. I look up at him and smirk. I grab his member and lick from the bottom of his shaft to the tip. Then I take it in my mouth all the way to the base. He moans in response. I continue taking him in and out. Twirling my tongue around him as I do. I push his member deeper into my throat to make me gag, but just once. It lubricates my mouth around him and I start going faster. I open my eyes and look up at Liam. He's sitting back with his eyes closed, squinting like he's focused. I grab the base of his member with my hand and start twisting my hand around as I pump up and down his c*ck. I twist my mouth in unison with my hand. I continue going faster and faster until I hear Liam moan and c*m in my throat.

That night Liam and I folded into each other and explored each other's bodies. We ended the night late into the hours and tangled in each other.

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I wake up and see Liam just looking at me.

“Morning beautiful.” He whispers.

“Morning creeper.” I say with a smile. He kisses my nose.

“You’re going to be late for training” he says smiling. My heart lurches. I shoot up.

“What time is it?” I ask jumping out of bed.

“Oh goddess.” I moan as I see the time. I hear Liam laughing and I throw a shirt at his head. I get dressed fast. I run over to the bed and kiss him. I run out of my room and to my surprise Jet is standing there giving me a face.

“I don’t want to hear it.” I grab his hand and we race down the stairs and the the training facility. Today Jet wanted me to challenge up to elite today, but I’m not sure if I’m ready. When challenging time comes during training Jet calls my name for elite. The difference between a level challenge and an elite challenge is in a level challenge you fight someone in that level. In an elite you fight against someone else who wants to be in elite. There are levels once you are inside of elite, but you don’t get pulled out of elite unless you do something wrong. Jet has me going against some meat head named Keel. This guy was as big as a barn. I looked like a child next to him. I looked up at Jet with annoyed eyes. He just smirked at me. Stupid Jet, probably making a point or something, annoying. We got into our stance and the fight began. Keel moved slowly but with purpose. I could definitely dodge faster than him, but one punch and I’ll feel it for days that’s for sure. I was honestly afraid to have him land a punch on me. His hands were like boulders. He had to be part giant. But we all know the saying, the bigger they are, the harder they fall.

Keel moves towards me and throws his boulder sized fist at my head, I roll to the side and punch his rib, he barely flinches. This is going to be tough. He reaches toward me and tries to grab me, but I kick him in his knee and it buckles. He stays standing, but this time I see pain in his eyes. I’m going to hit that knee as many times as it takes. He comes at me again, this time a bit faster and lower. He throws a punch and I dodge out of the way, when I feel pain rip through my side. He has punched me in my ribs and I know one is broken. Through the pain, and to get him off guard, I kick the side of his knee and this time he cries out in pain. We both stumble away from each other. Rage comes across his face, and I do everything in my power not to burst into flames. I get back in my stance and so does he. We circle each other and then he lunges at me with his full mass, he’s mad, hurt, and making mistakes. I sweep his legs out from under him and he falls forward. He rolls over, but I have my knee on his throat, arm tucked behind him and the other under my other knee. I know he can lift me easily, but I spread out making it harder. He struggles, but to my surprise he taps. I have won. I hear cheering and clapping.

“Congratulations Luna. You are now an elite warrior.” Jet yells out across the field.

“The rest of you are dismissed.” Jet adds. He comes over beside me and helps me up along with Keel.

“Damn Luna. You’re fast. I was worried about hurting you at first, but when you went for my knee I knew I couldn’t hold back.” Keel said rubbing his neck.

“I glad you didn’t hold back. Everyone needs to earn their place.” I say. He bows to me and walked away with a slight limp. Jet claps me on the back and laughs.

“I honestly didn’t know how that was going to turn out.” Jet said. I glare at him.

“What?” He says laughingly.

“Why would you put me up against that mountain?” I ask, holding my ribs. The pain washes over me.

“You won didn’t you? Lina you want people to respect you, fear you. If I put you up against someone small or your size, they would chalk it up to favoritism. Like you said, everyone has to earn their place.” I punch him in the shoulder.

“We should get your ribs looked at.” He says. I nod in agreement. We headed over to the clinic to get my ribs checked out. The doctor looks me over and orders an x-ray. The doctor tells me I had two cracked ribs, but they aren’t cracked all the way through and that I should heal up just fine.

The fun thing is, you can’t do much for cracked ribs other than ice, pain meds, and breathing. He gives me some pills and an ice pack. He makes me an appointment to come back tomorrow and I have to skip training, which is annoying.

“You’re mad you have to skip training tomorrow, aren’t you?” Jet teases as we walk out of the clinic.

“Of course I am. I have to miss my first day of training elite.” I fume.

“Hey you’ll be healed in no time. One day off will be good for you. You want to go get breakfast?” He asks.

“Can’t. I’m late for Luna training as it is.” I sigh. We head over the Violet’s home. Jet left me and headed back to the pack house and I knocked on the door. Violet answers and over the next 5 hours we go over Luna duties and pack information. Carrie comes over with food and we spend another 3 hours finalizing the ceremony details. I needed to get out of this house. I tell them I was in pain from my ribs and needed to call it a day. I walk like a zombie back to the pack house. I don’t look at anyone and head into the cafeteria for food.

I’m starving. I sit down and food is brought to me. I scarf it down. Once I’m not starving I finally look up and see Liam across the cafeteria looking at me. He’s just smiling. He sitting at a table with Jet and three other guys. I see Jet lean over to him and whisper something to him. He looks shocked and surprised by whatever Jet tells him. He gets up and walks straight to me.

“Why didn’t you tell me you got hurt?” He asks.

“I don’t know Liam, but I’m so tired and my side hurts. I just want to go to bed.” I give him puppy eyes. His face softens, he picks me up from my chair and carries me bridal style up the stairs and to my room. He lays me in bed. He takes my shoes off, then my pants. He gently takes my shirt off, being careful of my side. He tucks me into bed. He comes around the other side and crawls in next to me. I lay my head on his chest as he pets my head. I drift off to sleep.

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I'm going to hit that knee as many times as it takes. He comes at me again, this time a bit faster and lower. He throws a punch and I dodge out of the way, when I feel pain rip through my side. He has punched me in my ribs and I know one is broken. Through the pain, and to get him off guard, I kick the side of his knee and this time he cries out in pain. We both stumble away from each other. Rage comes across his face, and I do everything in my power not to burst into flames. I get back in my stance and so does he. We circle each other and then he lunges at me with his full mass, he's mad, hurt, and making mistakes. I sweep his legs out from under him and he falls forward. He rolls over, but I have my knee on his throat, arm tucked behind him and the other under my other knee. I know he can lift me easily, but I spread out making it harder. He struggles, but to my surprise he taps. I have won. I hear cheering and clapping.

"Congratulations Luna. You are now an elite warrior." Jet yells out across the field.

"The rest of you are dismissed." Jet adds. He comes over beside me and helps me up along with Keel.

"Damn Luna. You're fast. I was worried about hurting you at first, but when you went for my knee I knew I couldn't hold back." Keel said rubbing his neck.

"I glad you didn't hold back. Everyone needs to earn their place." I say. He bows to me and walked away with a slight limp. Jet claps me on the back and laughs.

"I honestly didn't know how that was going to turn out." Jet said. I glare at him.

"What?" He says laughingly.

"Why would you put me up against that mountain?" I ask, holding my ribs. The pain washes over me.

"You won didn't you? Lina you want people to respect you, fear you. If I put you up against someone small or your size, they would chalk it up to favoritism. Like you said, everyone has to earn their place." I punch him in the shoulder.

"We should get your ribs looked at." He says. I nod in agreement. We headed over to the clinic to get my ribs checked out. The doctor looks me over and orders an x-ray. The doctor tells me I had two cracked ribs, but they aren't cracked all the way through and that I should heal up just fine.

The fun thing is, you can't do much for cracked ribs other than ice, pain meds, and breathing. He gives me some pills and an ice pack. He makes me an appointment to come back tomorrow and I have to skip training, which is annoying.

"You're mad you have to skip training tomorrow, aren't you?" Jet teases as we walk out of the clinic.

"Of course I am. I have to miss my first day of training elite." I fume.

“Hey you’ll be healed in no time. One day off will be good for you. You want to go get breakfast?” He asks.

“Can’t. I’m late for Luna training as it is.” I sigh. We head over the Violet’s home. Jet left me and headed back to the pack house and I knocked on the door. Violet answers and over the next 5 hours we go over Luna duties and pack information. Carrie comes over with food and we spend another 3 hours finalizing the ceremony details. I needed to get out of this house. I tell them I was in pain from my ribs and needed to call it a day. I walk like a zombie back to the pack house. I don’t look at anyone and head into the cafeteria for food.

I’m starving. I sit down and food is brought to me. I scarf it down. Once I’m not starving I finally look up and see Liam across the cafeteria looking at me. He’s just smiling. He sitting at a table with Jet and three other guys. I see Jet lean over to him and whisper something to him. He looks shocked and surprised by whatever Jet tells him. He gets up and walks straight to me.

“Why didn’t you tell me you got hurt?” He asks.

“I don’t know Liam, but I’m so tired and my side hurts. I just want to go to bed.” I give him puppy eyes. His face softens, he picks me up from my chair and carries me bridal style up the stairs and to my room. He lays me in bed. He takes my shoes off, then my pants. He gently takes my shirt off, being careful of my side. He tucks me into bed. He comes around the other side and crawls in next to me. I lay my head on his chest as he pets my head. I drift off to sleep.

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I know he is going to want to talk more about what happened. I stretch, a ping of pain rushes up my side. I forgot about my ribs. I get out of bed and get ready. After getting dressed, brushing my teeth and washing my face, I head downstairs. I see Violet in the living room.

“Hello dear.” She says.

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