

Fiver's World - Series 1

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My own fanfiction for the Watership Down TV series. I hope you like it :)

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1 - The Expedition

Watership Down

It was a very warm summer day. Bigwig and Hazel were up early and talked about an idea of Bigwig.

"Why should we do an expedition?" asked Hazel.

"Because our Owsla could really have a good training. Oh and: I want Fiver on this mission too." answered Bigwig.

"Okay there you are right. Our Owsla could really need a good training. But Fiver? I dont think that he is able to go with you." said Hazel unsure.

"But he also needs a training. Why dont you ask him, if he wants to come with me?" proposed Bigwig.

"Okay...then lets go and ask him."

Bigwig and Hazel hopped inside the warren.

Fivers Burrow

When Hazel and Bigwig arrived at Fivers Burrow, Fiver was still sleeping.

"Fiver? Wake up! We want to ask you something."

After Hazel finished talking, Fiver woke up and looked around.

"Hazel? Did you really have to wake me up? I had a very nice dream..." yawned Fiver.

"Fiver, we want to ask you if you want to go on an expedition with me and the Owsla." interrupted Bigwig.

"An expedition? And where should this expedition go to?" Fiver asked surprised.

"We just want to explore the area around the forest. So do you come with us or not? We want to go now." Said Bigwig.

"Okay. If I have to, I will come in a few moments." answered Fiver.

"Fine. I'll get the others." Said Bigwig and hopped out of Fivers Burrow.

Later, outside on the down

Hawkbit, Fiver, Strawberry and Dandelion stood in a row, in front of Bigwig.

"Okay lads. We want to go now. Still any questions?" asked Bigwig.

"Yes. Do we have to go? It's such a nice day, why can't we just enjoy it like everybody else?" snarled Hawkbit.

"Because we have to know the area around the forest. And a bit of walking can not suffer damages to you lot." said Bigwig and hopped away, followed by his Owsla.

Later, near the forest

Fiver, Bigwig, Strawberry, Dandelion and Hawkbit stood near a very big tree.

"Let's look if there's something interesting in this forest" said Bigwig.

Everybody follows Bigwig, except Fiver.

"Fiver? Didn't you listen? Come on!" ordered Bigwig.

Suddenly, Fiver cried. It was a vision.

"They will catch us right here,"

"They are so fast that nobody hears,"

"the black rabbit will come for me,"

"for the others, my words should be the key."

"Follow the ..." yelled Fiver out in pain.

Before he could finish his vision, Hrair rabbits jumped out of a bush.

"It's a trap!" Shouted Bigwig.

A very hard fight started. Bigwig and his Owsla had no chance against the strange rabbits.

"Fallback! Fallback! They are too many!" Shouted Bigwig.

Bigwig and his Owsla ran away, towards the river and after a long time, their followers lost their tracks.

On Watership Down

Hazel sat alone outside the warren and looked into the sky. After a few moments, Primrose joined him and said:

"They be alright Hazel. Biwig is with them."

"I know and I hope you're right...." said Hazel.

Same time at the river

After a long chase, Bigwig and his group stopped in a shrub near the river.

"Okay, I think they lost our tracks." coughed Strawberry.

"Are you all right?" asked Bigwig his Owsla.

"Yes of course. I only have a few wounds, but of course this does not matter." snarled Hawkbit.

"Hey, Fiver is missing!" noticed Dandelion.

Everyone looked around, but no one could see him.

"Fiver? Fiver! Where are you!" shouted Bigwig.

"We have to search for him" ordered Bigwig and hopped away.

They searched the whole day, but couldn't find him.

"Bigwig. For get about it. It is impossible to find him. If he's alive he'll hide himself somewhere. Let's go home, it's worthless to search now." said Hawkbit.

"Well, I suppose you are right. Okay lads, lets get back to the warren." ordered Bigwig a bit frightenend. He knew that Hazel would bite his head off for this.

Back on the Down

As Bigwig and the rest of his owsla hopped onto the down, Hazel and the others went out of the warren.

"Bigwig! It was about time that you come back." Hazel said relieved.

As all the owsla members hopped away without saying a word, Hazel said to Bigwig:

"Hey, what happened? And where is Fiver?"

"Hazel... I have got bad news. We have been attacked by foreign rabbits at a big tree near the river. Fiver had a vision and as we ran away, he stayed there. It's impossible to find him now. We'll have to search tomorrow. But...if-...if we don't find him... I fear he's dead." Bigwig answered quietly.

"What? How...how could this happen? You were in case for him!" Hazel shouted at Bigwig.

After this, Hazel hopped angry and sadly into the warren.

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Creator Comment: Well, I know it's not very good, but it's the first I ever wrote. Please Comment!

2 - Searching for the truth

Chapter 2 - Searching for the truth

Inside the Honeycomb

All of the Watership Down rabbits are assembled inside the Honeycomb, because Hazel-rah wanted them all to be there at about ni-Frith. It was a rainy day, like almost every day in this season, so even if Hazel-rah wouldnt want them to meet there, no one would be outside. As the last of the rabbit arrived, Hazel appeared in front of them. He looked a bit nervous, but also sad because of what happened to his little brother two days ago. Hazel didnt come outside his borrow for these days, but now, he was ready to talk to them. After a few moments he began to spoke.

"I wanted you all to assemble here, because I want you to go out on a new mission."

"What? What new mission Hazel?" asked Bigwig a bit surprised. Usually, Hazel tells him of his plans before he tells them the others, because he is the captain of the Owsla. But this time he didnt.

"I want to know what happened at the forest, so I want you, and of course myself, to go there and search for hints which could lead us to this strange rabbits you told us of." said Hazel with a determined voice.

"Oh yeah, great. Now he's gone mad! Why dont we invite them to come here and we will get best friends?" snorled Hawkbit. But he was lucky, no body could here him this time.

"So, but where should we exactly search? Or do you think they are still there and waiting for us?" said Dandelion.

"Of course we will make several groups. The first group will contain Hawkbit, Strawberry and Dandelion, who will search along the river. Bigwig and me, we are the second group and we will search near the forest. The rest of you will stay here." replied Hazel.

"Oh, why shall I always stay here? Everyone else is allowed to go, except me!" said Pipkin a bit angry.

"We need you here Pipkin. Who else will defend the others if not the mighty Pipkin?" joked Hawkbit.

"But Hazel, what if the Efracans captured Fiver?"

"After Bigwig and the others described the attackers, I dont think they are Efracans. But I want Kehaar to fly over Efrafa to look if he is in there."

"But... if he isn't in Efrafa and if we don't find him... I will pronounce Fiver's dead."

Everyone stayed quiet. They knew that this was the hardest decision Hazel ever made.

"So...you heard him. Let's go and find Fiver!" said Bigwig

The rabbits hesitated a bit, before following his orders.

Somewhere in a dark borrow, near the forest

Fiver was alive, even if the others couldn't know. He lay in a dark borrow, near the forest. He was awake, but couldn't open his eyes, because he was very tired and had big pains, because his left hind leg was badly hurt. Suddenly, he heard a noise but even in this possible dangerous situation, he was too tired to open his eyes. But he could speak a bit, so he said:

"Who...who are you?" You could hear that the pains had to be unimaginable.

First it was quiet. But after a few moments, Fiver heard a voice.

"I am Raspberry. Stop asking questions and rest. You are badly hurt. We can talk later, when you are not as badly hurt as now."

Fiver tried to stay awake, but the pain was so large that he soon fell asleep.

At the river, with group 1

Hawkbit, Strawberry and Dandelion have been searching for hours now, but didn't find anything. It stopped raining, but the dark clouds above them looked like they would burst just in a few moments. Hawkbit, Dandelion and Strawberry split to search a larger area. By now, they all finished searching and are meeting at a tree.

"Did you find anything Hawkbit?"

"No, it's nearly impossible to find anything in this mud. Even if there were tracks, the rain washed them away."

Suddenly, thunder was heard and Strawberry winced.

"Eek!"

"Oh great, that was the only thing I missed. Now the day is perfect. Lets go home, before the rain starts." griped Hawkbit.

The three of them hopped away, back to the down.

Back on the Down

Pipkin sat outside the warren, looking at the foot of the down. As Blackberry saw that, she joined him.

"Pipkin! What are you doing here alone? Come in, it will start to rain in a few moments."

"Blackberry... do you think they will find him?" started Pipkin.

"Or... or do you think he is dead?" he finished.

"Oh, don't say something like that! They will find him." Blackberry herself couldn't really believe in her words, but she continued.

"They will find him, believe in me. But now come with me, inside."

Just as she finished, it started to rain and thunder was seen in the sky, but Pipkin didnt move. So Blackberry tried it again.

"You dont make it better if you sit here and get ill. Come inside."

Pipkin hesitated a bit, but then said:

"Okay, you are right Blackberry. Let's go inside"

Both hopped inside.

With group 2

Hazel and Bigwig were surprised of the rain, because in the forest they couldnt see the sky, so they couldnt see the dark clouds.

"Let's get out of the rain Hazel, we can continue the searching later." said Bigwig.

"Yes, you are right. Lets go there, to this empty tree."

Both went in the direction of the tree, but suddenly both stopped.

"This... this can not be. Do you see the same?"

"Yes, it is a track of Fiver! And it is not older than one day!"

"That means he could be somewhere here! Hurry Bigwig, maybe he is here and maybe he is wounded."

Both began to search, not even the rain could stop there searching. Both were very happy, because the track means that he was there yesterday.

Above Efrafa

Kehaar and Hannah the mouse watched Efrafa for a long time now, but couldnt see Fiver. As the rain started, they decided to go home.

"Good. If he isnt in Efrafa, he has to be alive."

"Sure Hanjah? He could be dead"

"Kehaar! Dont say something like that!"

Kehaar, with Hannah on his back, flew back to Watership Down.

Back with Fiver and Raspberry

Fiver was awake again. His leg hurts as much as before, but at least he isnt as tired as before. He even was able to open his eyes and to speak. As he opened his eyes, he saw Raspberry, a brown rabbit doe, and he said with pain:

"R...Raspberry?"

As Fiver spoke, Raspberry turned over to him. She looked surprised, for sure she didnt think he would wake up so fast.

"Oh, you are awake. Do you feel better?" she said.

"Y..yes, a bit."

"That's good."

"I...have a few questions..." said Fiver

"Oh, okay. Ask them."

"Where...are we? And why are we here?" asked Fiver.

Raspberry sighed.

"We are in a warren called Aloth Warren. The Owsla found you laying in the forest, surrounded by other rabbits. They attacked them and hit you at your hind leg, so you couldnt run away."

"How...how can you know that? Arent you a prisoner just like me?" asked Fiver

Raspberry was very surprised to hear that.

"The guards talked about it but...how can you know that I am also a prisoner?" asked Raspberry.

"Oh, thats a...long story." replied Fiver.

"We can talk about it later, you should sleep again to recover your leg."

Raspberry hopped away, leaving Fiver alone. And as she said, Fiver fell asleep.

With Group 2

Bigwig and Hazel searched the whole evening, but couldnt find very much. It was about Fu-Inlé now, but the rain didnt stop.

"Hazel, we should go back to Watership Down now. We can search tomorrow again, with the help of the others, so the chances will be higher that we find him."

"Yes, you are right...lets hope the rain wont wash away the tracks."

Bigwig hopped away, but Hazel stood still and looked into the countryside.

"I will find you little brother, I promise." he said quietly. Then, he hopped back to Watership Down.

To be continued...

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Now here it is, the second chapter. Please Comment!