



The bouts of play between moose calves diminish in frequency as they mature, but can increase in aggressiveness. Just as they must have done as calves, a pair of two-year-old bulls were engaged in a dramatic round of sparring and contentious play in the shallow waters of a small pond. Both were prancing, challenging each other, and generally attempting to achieve the dominant position in the exchange. As the interaction proceeded, it became more intense and confrontational. In the end, the slightly larger Funlet attempted to keep Tip from escaping the pond upstream. But the smaller guy was having none of that as he deftly slipped by his challenger uphill into the forest. Yet calves love water too...

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