



Tired Canada Geese

I spent a wintry, snowy night sleeping in my 35-year-old sleeping bag among spongy moss and moose poop along the shoreline of Moose Pond in T3 R8 WELS, fearfully avoiding being trampled by a cow moose whose distinguishable shape I easily observed from the glow of a full moon emanating through murky clouds. With a wind-chill of twenty degrees Fahrenheit I awoke the following morning, weary and suffering from a sore throat. At the nearby Deasey Ponds in T3 R7 WELS, seven Canada geese, apparently tired from their southern migration, slept contently with their heads tucked neatly into the sides of their bodies. They seemed more comfortable than I was last evening.

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