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# CATS ILLUSTRATED

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## Judy is getting into swimming!



After being pushed into a pool by Rudy, Judy has discovered that she enjoys swimming. She has swum a couple of times now, and is going to the pool more and more often. Of course, Rudy has something to say about this.

Rudy thinks that swimming is unsanitary, and that dirty stuff in the water will make Judy stink even more. She also is hinting about what might happen if someone pushed Judy into the deep end suddenly, and because Judy didn't know how to swim like at all, she drowned. That freaked Judy out a little bit, and she canceled her trip to the pool today. Max thinks that it is good that Judy is going to the pool, because he knows she needs a break from the video games she plays through basically all other parts of the day.

Image above - Judy, who will be going to the town pool today after a long nap.

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We agree with that as well.

Mavis and Judy's other sisters are glad that she has found something she likes, but are appalled at the thought of submerging most of your body in water. Water is for drinking, not swimming in. Even Naya, daring and all, would not stick more than one paw in water. However, Judy enjoys feeling cool water against her fur, and then dripping everywhere when she comes out. This is a foreign feeling to many cats, who are too scared to get into the water.

Now that brings us to our next point in this issue. Why do cats despise water? We have questioned Harvey about why he doesn't like water, but he didn't tell us anything until five reporters (yes, it took five reporters to lift Harvey), lifted Harvey and dumped him in a tub of ice water. At first Harvey was scared, and told us that he was deathly afraid of drowning, of not being able to breathe air as he died. However, while he was talking, Harvey started paddling around the tub, seemingly having fun. He could paddle just fine without a front leg, and Harvey realized that this might be the thing for him! Harvey went to the town pool this morning, and jumped in happily. Makenna is not sure why Harvey has done this, but we're not going to tell her we dumped him in a tub of ice water.

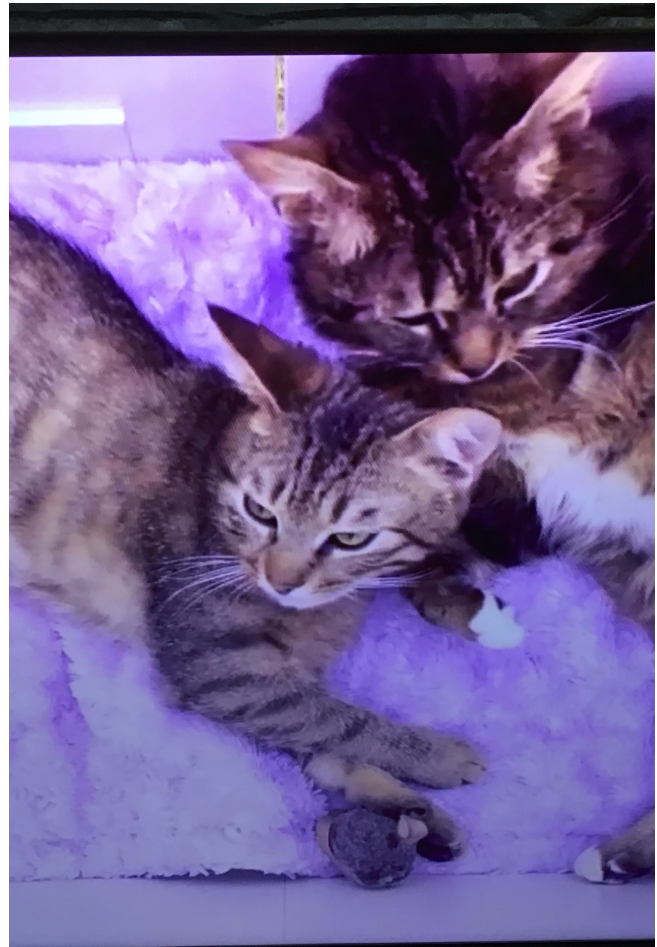


Image above - Harvey, who's trying to get North to start swimming.

**“You should have seen Harvey jump in - he splashed like a whale.”**

- ANONYMOUS CAT BY THE TOWN POOL

Judy continued splashing each other, and eventually, the pool was empty except for Rudy and Judy.

Even Rudy has tried going into water and made a grand entrance at the town pool by jumping in splashing Judy with a large wave. Judy sputtered and coughed as Rudy splashed away. However, Judy used her chubby forelegs to kick and make huge splashes, until Rudy sent a wave at Judy that pushed her underwater. Some parent cats there with their kittens had left, and even adult cats were looking at Rudy and Judy warily. Rudy and

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