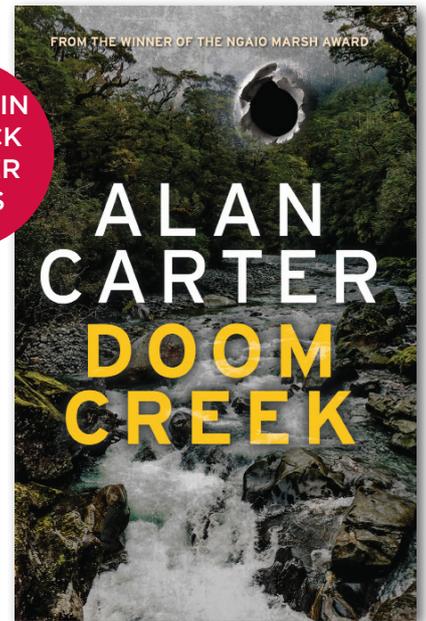


# DOOM CREEK

by ALAN CARTER

BOOK 2 IN  
THE NICK  
CHESTER  
SERIES



## KEYNOTE

All Nick Chester wants is to enjoy a quiet life, but there's something brewing in the valley that threatens to destroy his tranquil life and change the landscape of the town for ever. This second Nick Chester crime novel is as thrilling as its award-winning predecessor *Marlborough Man*.

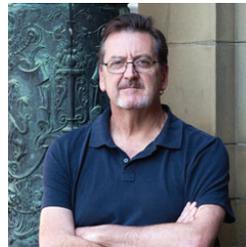
## ABOUT THE BOOK

Sergeant Nick Chester has dodged the Geordie gangsters he once feared, is out of hiding and looking forward to a quiet life. But gold fever is creating ill-feeling between prospectors, and a new threat lurks in the form of trigger-happy Americans preparing for doomsday by building a bolthole at the top of the South Island.

As tensions simmer in the Wakamarina Valley, Nick finds himself working on a cold-case murder and investigating a scandal-plagued religious sect. When local and international events reach fever pitch, Chester finds himself up against an evil that knows no borders.

## ABOUT THE AUTHOR

Alan Carter was born in Sunderland, UK. He immigrated to Australia in 1991 and now lives in splendid semi-rural semi-isolation south of Hobart, Tasmania. He sometimes works as a television documentary director and in his spare time he follows the black line up and down the local swimming pool or drags on his wetsuit and braves the icy waters of the D'Entrecasteaux Channel.



## MEDIA POINTS

- The first book in the Nick Chester series, *Marlborough Man*, won the Ngaio Marsh Award for Best Crime Novel.
- Alan Carter is the author of the Fremantle-set Cato Kwong series *Prime Cut* (winner of the Ned Kelly Award for Best First Fiction), *Getting Warmer*, *Bad Seed* and *Heaven Sent*.
- When Carter began writing this book, Trump had just been elected and the NZ immigration enquiry websites crashed with the traffic from the US. The same happened after Brexit. Then the stories emerged of Peter Thiel (a Trump associate who was given his NZ citizenship in an eleven-day turnaround) and fellow billionaire bolters. The preppers, the private militias, were all in the news over the period of putting together this novel
- These and the more recent apocalyptic events, which also saw people looking to NZ as a place to move to, add currency to the story.

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