



The stories in this collection were written over many years.

Some are set in Australia, others in The Netherlands and the UK, in the past, present and future.

In *STUFFED!* Fritz Carter, on the death of his wife, starts

a new life as an opal prospector at Lightning Ridge.

He buys a deserted mine, but finds working it too taxing, so

he employs Ted Mallet, a local rouseabout to do the digging.

He follows his dream of creating an underground taxidermist

museum in the mine..

The two men soon clash which leads to a disastrous climax.

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