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Chris Klick just wants to relax. He prefers the quiet life of rural Idaho, far from his past in the fast-paced music industry. Yet, when a woman named Nicole Russell tells the amateur sleuth about her missing husband, missing Labrador, and missing \$50,000, Klick's suddenly up to his ears in mystery. Aided by former basketball star and best friend Lyel, Klick pursues Nicole's husband, dog, and lost cash in corrupt Snow Lake. Can the two help Nicole recover her money without losing everything?

Originally published under the name Wendell McCall from 1988 through 1999, author Ridley Pearson's *Dead Aim*, the first installment in the three-book *Chris Klick Mysteries* series, retains all of its hard-boiled wit, grit, and sense of adventure today.

## ABOUT THE AUTHOR

Ridley Pearson is a *New York Times* bestselling author with over 24 novels published. His work is extremely diverse, from children's fiction to crime novels, paranormals, and adventure. His novels often incorporate a compelling combination of realistic high-tech forensic wizardry and hair-trigger suspense. One of his best-known crime novels, *Undercurrents*, contained cutting-edge forensic ideas that helped solve a real-life homicide case. Another, *Chain of Evidence*, was the first to raise the possibility of a "crime gene"—which later became the focus of a high-profile genetics conference. He has published several popular crime series featuring recurring characters, as well as standalone novels under his own name and the pseudonyms Joyce Reardon, Ph.D., and Wendell McCall. His latest thriller, *The Red Room*, featuring John Knox, appeared in June 2014.

Pearson was the first American to receive the Raymond Chandler Fulbright Fellowship at Oxford University, the site of his research for best-selling novels *No Witnesses* and *The Angel Maker*. He was also a founding member and bass player for the Rock Bottom Remainders, a band comprised of best-selling authors including Dave Barry and Stephen King.

## Dead Aim Details

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### **Jo Faith Baker says**

#### **First Chris book**

Very disappointed, way too much detailed description of fighting, tracking. I am returning the next two books without reading. Will read more of the Lou about books as I've read quite a few and liked all except one.

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### **Chris says**

A western mystery set in Idaho, Dead Aim proves to be a good novel with a slow middle. McCall is a pseudonym of Ridley Pearson who has written much better books in his own name. I was intrigued by the lead character's job --hunting for musicians who are owed back-royalties-- but this book is about a more conventional mystery. Too bad.

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### **Jeanne says**

#### **Meh**

I don't know what to say. It wasn't bad -- even good at some points. Just not good enough for me to read the series

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### **Bryan says**

Author Wendell McCall is a pen name of Ridley Pearson. I've read several of Ridley Pearson's books and enjoyed them. This one was good but not among my favorites. It's felt a bit dated, it was written in 1988.

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### **Vicki Cypress says**

#### **Great read**

It was easy to see who was the "bad guy" but the interest was in how he was finally brought down. There was some romance, just enough, intrigue, and good western excitement.

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### **Wendy says**

This is a Ridley Pearson 1988 mystery written under the name Wendell McCall. Pearson can deliver the goods, but this book is missing that definitive spark. There are some good plot twists, and the narrative has some wonderful descriptive moments, but the book lacks that solid pull. It's as if the story needs to be fleshed out with just a few more turns, and the characters with just a bit more flavor.

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**Fred says**

1999

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**Toesnorth's mom says**

boring, too involved, ridiculous

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