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Green Family settles in the Bega region (South Coast)
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
STANDING COMMITTEE ON
AGRICULTURE, FISHERIES
AND FORESTRY

1965 Aerial baiting introduced

- 1975 Bill & Ellen Green take up residence on family
- Early 80s Aerial baiting terminated
Result: Dramatic increase in wild dog attacks on livestock
- 1986 Wild dog attacks escalate on Green's farm (800 lambs killed)
- 1987 1000 fully grown sheep killed from 1987 to 1989
- 1989 Aerial baiting reintroduced
Result: Dramatic decline in wild dog attacks on livestock
- 1994 Aerial baiting terminated
Result: Dramatic Increase in wild dog attacks – 200 sheep killed
- 1996 Greens sell remaining sheep – 6 generations of breeding lost forever.
Cattle now the only option. However, cattle less profitable than sheep.
- 1999 Cattle attacked by wild dogs (3 calves killed)
Bill Green suffers heart attack aged 47 – doctors cite stress
The Greens forced to de-stock 400 acres (1/3 of their farm) of valuable grazing country next to National Parks, owing to wild dog attacks.
- 2003 Wild dog attacks continue – cattle being chased into barbed wire fences.
- 2005 Wild dog problems still exist even with trappers in place.

**When our ewes and lambs are safe in our paddocks
so are our potoroos and bandicoots safe in our bush.**