

You never see OPP do a Press Release about Native 'Outsiders' Why?

Why is it that the County, OPP and Ontario Government
only tell non-Natives to stay away?

7.8 “Outsiders”

There was clearly concern amongst members of the Kettle and Stony Point Band, as well as the OPP, that First Nations people from other reserves and areas were in the army camp. Aboriginal people from Oneida, Walpole Island, and Moraviantown came to offer support, as did people from Michigan and other areas in the United States. Some of the “outsiders” wore camouflage outfits.

Aboriginal men such as Gabriel Doxtator from the Oneida Reserve came to the built-up area for an occasional visit in August 1995. Other people, such as Isaac Doxtator and Russell Jewell, were more regular visitors. Isaac Doxtator often stayed with Glenn George. Robert Isaac and Les Jewell moved into the barracks with the Stoney Point group after the occupation of the barracks.

Band Councillor Gerald George went to the army camp in early August to try to determine the number of non-Band members occupying the army camp. He worried these “outsiders” were radical in their thinking and would likely influence the younger and more impressionable people from the Band. He also worried that they supported a separatist movement, namely, the separation of the Stoney Point group from the formal Band. Gerald George was particularly concerned about Les Jewell who came from the United States: “[H]e was giving the people the wrong message ... Just to keep pushing ahead, like, aggressively.”

As is discussed later in this chapter, OPP officers on patrol at Ipperwash Park and the perimeter of the army camp also noticed an increase of First Nations people from other areas including the United States driving into the barracks.