



## MEET YOUR NEW NEIGHBOURHOOD

*A quiet, peaceful, nature-oriented lakeside haven just outside the city.*

Ponderosa Drive is a scenic road in Lake Echo that winds its way right alongside the water. Living here means having a quiet, rural-residential lifestyle dominated by large lots, mature trees, and easy access to the lake. The neighbourhood is tightly knit and family-friendly, populated by outdoor enthusiasts, retirees, and commuters who want to escape the city bustle.

- **The commute:** You are only about 15 minutes from Dartmouth and 25–30 minutes from downtown Halifax or the Halifax Airport.

### What to See & Do

Lake Echo is an outdoor playground, and Ponderosa Drive puts you right in the center of it.

- **Water Recreation:** The lake itself is the main attraction. It is ideal for motorboating, water skiing, jet skiing, swimming, kayaking, canoeing, and winter skating.
- **Orenda Canoe Club:** Located 2 minutes from 172 Ponderosa Drive, this historic community club is famous for competitive and recreational paddling, offering programs for youth and adults alike.
- **Lake Echo Beach:** A fantastic supervised municipal sandy beach (with lifeguards on duty during July and August). It features red safety buoys for swimming and a great community park atmosphere and is only 2 minutes by car from your new home!
- **Lake Echo Community Recreation Centre:** The heart of the neighborhood's dry-land activities. It hosts fitness classes, youth and senior groups, community events, and the annual **Lake Echo Fiesta Days**—typically takes place in early July and offers a weekend festival filled with music, food, and community pride.
- **Nearby Trails & Ocean Beaches:** You are not far from the rugged Atlantic coast. Hit **Lawrencetown Beach Provincial Park** (18 minutes by car) for world-class surfing and beach combing, or walk the **Atlantic View Trail** next to Lawrencetown Beach, a beautiful multi-use former rail-trail perfect for biking and hiking.
- **Grandview Golf & Country Club:** 10 minutes by car, this 18-hole championship golf course is a semi-private facility that features a par-72 layout designed by course architect Bill Robinson, measuring up to 6584 yards from the back tees. It offers an idyllic tree-lined parkland setting. There is a driving range and large putting green, a bar and restaurant on site.
- **The Links at Montague:** A 15-minute drive, this 9-hole executive golf course features a par-31 layout designed by renowned course architect Graham Cooke, measuring 1880 yards from the back tees. There is a driving range here as well as a bar and a restaurant.

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## Where to Eat

While Lake Echo itself preserves a quiet residential profile with limited commercial zoning, excellent dining options sit just minutes down the highway in either direction (towards Preston/Dartmouth or Porters Lake):

- **Local Fast-Casual:** For everyday quick stops:
  - **Lake Echo Pizza & Convenience** [https://echopizza.ca/?page\\_id=4](https://echopizza.ca/?page_id=4) (2 minutes from 172 Ponderosa Dr) provides great comfort food.
  - **The Crazy Weasel Restaurant:** <https://crazyweasel.ca/> (4 minutes from 172 Ponderosa Dr) They offer pizza and other comfort foods with both gluten and gluten-free items available.
- **Porters Lake Eatery Options** (10 mins by car):
  - **The Porters Lake Pub:** <https://porterslakepub.ca/> Their menu ranges from the classics such as pizza and pasta to burgers and brunch. Their website states that they are “Where the Shore Gathers”.
  - **The Hungry Beagle:** <https://www.facebook.com/p/The-Hungry-Beagle-61566921172454/> From beef stews to burgers to seafood chowders, they offer a variety of options to satisfy all tastes.
- **Dartmouth / Cole Harbour** (10–20 mins by car): If you want fine dining, trendy craft breweries, East Indian cuisine, or sushi, a quick drive into Dartmouth opens up a massive culinary scene.

## Where to Shop

Living on Ponderosa Drive means you get the peace of the country without feeling isolated from necessities.

- **Everyday Essentials (Porters Lake Shopping Centre - 5 mins away):** This nearby hub has everything you need for weekly errands, including a large **Atlantic Superstore**, Nova Scotia Liquor Corporation (**NSLC**), **Home Hardware**, a pharmacy, and a gas station. Learn more about what is available in the area at: <https://sevenlakescommunity.com/shopping>
- **Local Farm Markets:** In the warmer months, roadside farm stands pop up along Highway 7 selling fresh Nova Scotian produce, berries, and local baked goods.
- **Major Retail (15 mins away):** For serious retail therapy, you are a straight drive down the highway from **Mic Mac Mall** and **Dartmouth Crossing**, one of Atlantic Canada’s largest open-air shopping districts featuring IKEA, Costco, Home Depot, and countless fashion and specialty stores.

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**Where to Find Peace:**

- **Ataraxy Farm** (17 minutes by car): <https://www.ataraxyfarm.com/> A mental health therapy farm where you can do goat yoga, animal-assisted reiki, or Serene Equine Assisted Learning (S.E.A.L.). This farm has a main goal of helping others, and it is also the home of Tally's Goat Milk Soaps.

**Schools:**

- The area is served by nearby O'Connell Drive Elementary School and the brand new Eastern Shore Consolidated School which offers late French Immersion if desired.

**Summary:**

Living on Ponderosa Drive gives you the ultimate "cottage life" reality every single day, with the convenience of the city right at your fingertips.

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