

Some Place Names in Hanover

- **Animal Hills**- speculated to be named because of persons residing in the area with surnames from animals eg. Hoggs, Deers and Lamb family
- **Blenheim** -is an adoption of Baravia, Germany which was the site of a great battle
- **Brownsville**- the name of a church and later adopted by the surrounding village is named in memory of the son of a former secretary Dr. John Brown of the 19th century London Missionary Society.
- **Bloody Bay** is said to be derived in memoriam of the times when whales were “caught and killed” in that area.
- **Chobby Hole**- so named from the fact that the particular area was heavily forested with trees known as “Chobby”.
- **Dolphin Head** is a mountain behind Lucea named because of its resemblance to a dolphin with its “blunt nose, face and body fins when viewed from East to West.”
- **DeLisser Boulevard** is named after Hon. W. DeLisser who served the parish in the capacity of a Custos Rotoloum from 1952- 65
- **Fat Hog Quarter**- so called due to the abundance of hogs that were reared in the area, the quantities were reared maybe in the 18th century to facilitate the export of lard to Cargentina.
- **Haughton Hall** – is the namesake of one of its former owner, Phillip Haughton.
- **Haughton Court**- initially known as Unity Estate, it is named after two brothers Jonathan and Valentine Haughton, immigrants from Barbados in 1670. Jonathan’s son Richard later became involved in local politics and served in the house of Assembly, was a Custos and also a colonel in the Militia.
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- **Fort Charlotte** – is also the namesake of Gorge III’s Queen and was initially known as Fort Lucea
- **Lethe**- a former sugar estate, name has being adopted from a river inference in Greek mythology. Locally, the name is thought to be derived from its proximity to a stream? which lies at the border of Hanover and St. James.
- **Mount Peto**- is the namesake of Sir Morton Peto, former treasurer of the Baptist Missionary Society of Great Britain. He donated £2000 to assist Baptist missionaries who visited Jamaica in 1846.
- **Quasheba Mountain** is a derivative from the Iwi word meaning “Sunday born”.

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