Wednesday, November 22

ON THIS DAY



▲ 2003: England became the first northern hemisphere team to win the Rugby World Cup, defeating Australia 20-17 in the final in Sydney

1718: Edward Teach, better known as the pirate "Blackbeard", was killed off the coast of North Carolina

1830: The Belgian Congress voted to turn the country into a monarchy

1990: British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher resigned after 11 years in office

2005: Angela Merkel was formally elected Germany's first female Chancellor in the newly assembled Bundestag