

***Tuesday, September 16***

# ***ON THIS DAY***



**▲ 2001: The inaugural Kings Cup Elephant Polo Tournament was held in Thailand. The game consists of three players per team, each on an elephant accompanied by a mahout**

**1810: Miguel Hidalgo called for the end of Spanish rule in Mexico**

**1931: Libya's nationalist leader, Omar Mukhtar, was captured and executed by Italian forces**

**1966: The new Metropolitan Opera House opened in New York**

**2007: At least eight Iraqi civilians died in a shootout in Baghdad involving the U.S. private security contractor Blackwater**