

Thursday, October 7

ON THIS DAY



▲ **1571: The last naval battle fought between oar-driven ships took place at Lepanto, off southwestern Greece**

1806: Carbon paper was patented in London by inventor Ralph Wedgewood

1908: Crete rebelled against Turkish domination and united with Greece

1994: Australia's Federal Government assured Vietnam veterans that it would consider compensation payments for those exposed to Agent Orange

2009: A huge new ring, the largest discovered in the solar system, was identified around Saturn. It lay some 13m km from the planet, 50 times more distant than the inner rings