



Today in History

July 19, 1853

▲ **1853: Women's rights campaigner Amelia Bloomer shocked a New York audience by wearing loose-fitting pantaloons, later dubbed "bloomers"**

1545: The Mary Rose, pride of King Henry VIII's battle fleet, sank in the Solent with the loss of 700 lives

1989: Poland's Communist leader General Wojciech Jaruzelski was elected president by one vote

2001: Mount Etna began erupting in Sicily, with high-speed lava flows threatening the town of Nicolosi

2004: A mining company confirmed it had found a 182-carat diamond in Guinea