



## Today in History

*July 8, 2000*

▲ **Venus Williams became the first black woman to win Wimbledon since 1957. She and her younger sister Serena have 12 Wimbledon singles titles between them**

**1881:** The ice cream sundae was invented as an alternative to soda drinks, banned on the Sabbath

**2000:** South African president Thabo Mbeki reiterated his doubts that **AIDS was caused by the HIV virus**

**2006:** The first manned flight of a powered ornithopter – an aircraft that flaps its wings – took place

**2007:** Boeing unveiled its new 787 Dreamliner, claimed to use 20% less fuel than other planes of its size