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▲ **Amateur jockey Sam Waley-Cohen, a dentist, won the Grand National, the world's most famous steeplechase, in his last ever race before retirement**

**1682:** French explorer Robert Cavelier de La Salle discovered the mouth of the Mississippi River

**2003:** Iraqis and Americans celebrated the fall of Saddam Hussein by toppling his statue in Baghdad

**2008:** The Channel Island of Sark abolished the last remaining feudal system in Europe

**2010:** Russian physicists created a new, super-heavy element, 117, filling a gap in chemistry's periodic table