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Form 8-K  
April 14, 2004

UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT  
PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(D) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): April 14, 2004

CHAMPIONSHIP AUTO RACING TEAMS, INC.  
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware  
(State or other  
jurisdiction of  
incorporation)

1-13925  
(Commission  
File Number)

38-3389456  
(IRS Employer  
Identification No.)

5350 Lakeview Parkway South Dr.  
Indianapolis, IN 46268  
(Address of principal executive offices, with zip code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (317) 715-4100

ITEM 5. OTHER EVENTS AND REGULATION FD DISCLOSURE

On April 14, 2004, Championship Auto Racing Teams, Inc. issued a press release announcing that its Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2003, cannot be completed by the extended filing deadline of April 14, 2004. A copy of the press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated herein by reference.

ITEM 7. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS

The following exhibits are incorporated by reference as part of this Report:

Exhibit	Description
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99.1

Press release dated April 14, 2004

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized on this 14th day of April, 2004.

CHAMPIONSHIP AUTO RACING TEAMS, INC.

By: /s/ Thomas L. Carter

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Thomas L. Carter  
Chief Financial Officer