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Form 8-K  
July 30, 2004

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): July 30, 2004

THE L.S. STARRETT COMPANY  
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Massachusetts	1-367	04-1866480
(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)	(Commission File Number)	(IRS Employer Identification No.)

121 CRESCENT STREET, ATHOL, MASSACHUSETTS 01331  
(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number: 978-249-3551

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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Item 5. Other Events and Required FD Disclosure

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On July 30, 2004, The L.S. Starrett Company (the "Company") issued a press release announcing that the Company changed the date of its Annual Meeting of Stockholders to October 13, 2004 in order to provide more time and hindsight in the determination and preparation of its annual financial results, which will be announced in early September. The meeting was originally scheduled to be held on September 15, 2004.

A copy of the press release dated July 30, 2004 is being filed as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K.

Item 7. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(c) Exhibits:

99.1 Press Release issued by the Company dated July 30, 2004.

SIGNATURE

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.

THE L.S. STARRETT COMPANY

Date: July 30, 2004

By: s/ ROGER U. WELLINGTON, JR.  
Name: Roger U. Wellington, Jr.  
Title: Vice President, Treasurer and  
Chief Financial Officer