

DEERE & CO  
Form 8-K  
May 18, 2004

**UNITED STATES**

**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

Washington, D.C. 20549

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**FORM 8-K**

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**CURRENT REPORT**

**Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the  
Securities Exchange Act of 1934**

Date of Report: **May 18, 2004**

**DEERE & COMPANY**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**DELAWARE**

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

**1-4121**

(Commission File Number)

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**36-2382580**

(IRS Employer Identification No.)

**One John Deere Place**

**Moline, Illinois 61265**

(Address of principal executive offices and zip code)

**(309) 765-8000**

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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

Item 5. Other Events.

The following consists of Deere & Company's press release dated May 18, 2004 concerning second-quarter of fiscal 2004 financial results and supplemental financial information filed as Exhibit 20 to this report and incorporated by reference herein.

Item 7. Financial Statements, Pro Forma Financial Information and Exhibits.

(c) Exhibits

(20) Press release and supplemental financial information

Item 12. Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

The attached schedule of Other Financial Information is furnished under Form 8-K Item 12 (Results of Operations and Financial Condition). The information is not filed for purposes of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and is not deemed incorporated by reference by any general statements incorporating by reference this report or future filings into any filings under the Securities Act of 1933 or the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, except to the extent Deere & Company specifically incorporates the information by reference.

**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 hereto duly authorized.

DEERE & COMPANY

By: */s/ JAMES H. BECHT*  
Secretary

Dated: May 18, 2004

**Exhibit Index**

**Number and Description of Exhibit**

- (20) Press release and supplemental financial information
- (99) Other Financial Information