## UNITED STATES

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Washington, D.C. 20549

## FORM 10-Q

(MARK ONE)
[X] QUARTERLY REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES
EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934
FOR THE QUARTERLY PERIOD ENDED JANUARY 26, 2002
OR
[ ] TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES
EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

FOR THE TRANSITION PERIOD FROM $\qquad$ TO $\qquad$ -.

Commission File Number: 0-23246

DAKTRONICS, INC
(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)


Indicate by check mark whether the registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days.

Yes [X] No [ ]
THE NUMBER OF SHARES OF THE REGISTRANT'S COMMON STOCK OUTSTANDING AS OF MARCH 6, 2002 WAS 18,203,964.

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## SPECIAL NOTE REGARDING FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

This Report contains statements which constitute forward-looking statements within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended. These statements appear in a number of places in this Report and include all statements that are not historical statements of fact regarding the intent, belief or current expectations of the Company, its directors or its officers with respect to, among other things: (i) the Company's financing plans; (ii) trends affecting the Company's financial condition or results of operations; (iii) the Company's growth strategy and operating strategy; and (iv) the declaration and payment of dividends. The words "may," "would," "could," "will," "expect," "estimate," "anticipate," "believe," "intend," "plans," and similar expressions and variations thereof are intended to identify forward-looking statements. Investors are cautioned that any such forward looking statements are not guarantees of future performance and involve risks and uncertainties, many of which are beyond the Company's ability to control, and that actual results may differ materially from those projected in the forward-looking statements as a result of various factors discussed herein and those factors discussed in detail in the Company's filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

## PART I. FINANCIAL INFORMATION

ITEM 1. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

## DAKTRONICS, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES <br> CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS <br> (Dollars in thousands)

|  | $\begin{gathered} \text { JANUARY 26, } \\ 2002 \\ \text { (UNAUDITED) } \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { APRIL 28, } \\ 2001 \end{gathered}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| ASSETS |  |  |
| CURRENT ASSETS: |  |  |
| Cash and cash equivalents | \$ 496 | \$ 2,896 |
| Accounts receivable, less allowance for doubtful accounts of $\$ 775$ at January 26, 2002 and $\$ 271$ at April 28, 2001 | 15,508 | 21,090 |
| Current maturities of long-term receivables | 2, 044 | 2,030 |
| Inventories | 18,754 | 19,719 |
| Costs and estimated earnings in excess of billings on uncompleted contracts | 15,587 | 10,890 |
| Prepaid expenses and other | 365 | 529 |
| Income taxes receivable | 247 | 97 |
| Deferred income taxes | 2,103 | 2,103 |
| Total current assets | 55,104 | 59,354 |
| Advertising rights | 1,225 | 1,281 |
| Long term receivables, less current maturities | 6,408 | 5,269 |
| Goodwill, net of accumulated amortization | 1,156 | 1,469 |
| Intangible and other assets, other than goodwill, net | 1,093 | 970 |
|  | 9,882 | 8,989 |
| PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT, at cost |  |  |
| Land | 654 | 542 |
| Buildings | 12,081 | 9,451 |
| Machinery and equipment | 19,849 | 18,404 |
| Office furniture and equipment | 9,563 | 7,487 |
| Equipment held for rental | 3,284 | 1,324 |
| Transportation equipment | 1,941 | 1,481 |
| Less accumulated depreciation | 47,372 19,945 | 38,689 16,818 |
|  | 27,427 | 21,871 |
| TOTAL ASSETS | \$ 92,413 | \$ 90, 214 |

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these Consolidated Financial Statements.

|  | $\begin{gathered} \text { JANUARY } 26, \\ 2002 \\ \text { (UNAUDITED) } \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { APRIL 28, } \\ & 2001 \end{aligned}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY |  |  |
| CURRENT LIABILITIES: |  |  |
| Notes payable, bank | \$ 8,354 | \$ 7,911 |
| Accounts payable | 7,668 | 10,199 |
| Accrued expenses | 5,480 | 6,981 |
| Current maturities of long-term debt | 4,337 | 3,883 |
| Billings in excess of costs and estimated earnings on uncompleted contracts | 3,990 | 2,177 |
| Customer deposits | 760 | 1,236 |
| Total current liabilities | 30,589 | 32,387 |
| Long-term debt, less current maturities | 9,608 | 10,344 |
| Deferred income | 1,414 | 531 |
| Deferred income taxes | 1, 039 | 1, 050 |
|  | 12,061 | 11,925 |
| TOTAL LIABILITIES | 42,650 | 44,312 |
| MINORITY INTEREST IN SUBSIDIARY | 129 | 79 |
| SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY: |  |  |
| Common stock, no par value, authorized 60,000,000 shares, $18,210,764$ and $18,016,066$ shares issued at January 26, 2002 and April 28, 2001 | 13,431 | 12,900 |
| Additional paid-in capital | 341 | 341 |
| Retained earnings | 35,897 | 32,600 |
| Less cost of treasury stock, 19,680 shares | (9) | (9) |
| Accumulated other comprehensive loss, foreign currency translation adjustment | (26) | (9) |
| TOTAL SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY | 49,634 | 45,823 |
| TOTAL LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY | \$ 92,413 | \$ 90, 214 |

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|  | THREE MONTHS ENDED |  |  |  | NINE MONTHS ENDED |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { RY 26, } \\ & 02 \\ & \text { VEEKS } \end{aligned}$ |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { ARY 27, } \\ & \text { VEEKS } \end{aligned}$ |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { JARY 26, } \\ & 002 \\ & \text { WEEKS ) } \end{aligned}$ |  | ARY 27, 001 WEEKS ) |
| Net sales | \$ | 30,863 | \$ | 33, 071 | \$ | 112,682 | \$ | 109,721 |
| Cost of goods sold |  | 21,817 |  | 23,296 |  | 79,093 |  | 76,813 |
| Gross profit |  | 9,046 |  | 9,775 |  | 33,589 |  | 32,908 |
| Operating expenses: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Selling |  | 5,592 |  | 4,359 |  | 16,623 |  | 13,282 |
| General and administrative |  | 1,744 |  | 1,640 |  | 5,605 |  | 4,265 |
| Product design and development |  | 1,890 |  | 1,344 |  | 5,312 |  | 3,835 |
| Total operating expenses |  | 9,226 |  | 7,343 |  | 27,540 |  | 21,382 |
| Operating income (loss) |  | (180) |  | 2,432 |  | 6,049 |  | 11,526 |
| Nonoperating income (expense): |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Interest income |  | 201 |  | 208 |  | 565 |  | 570 |
| Interest expense |  | (361) |  | (461) |  | $(1,204)$ |  | $(1,040)$ |
| Other income (expense), net |  | (111) |  | 265 |  | (41) |  | 637 |
| Nonoperating income (expense): |  | (271) |  | 12 |  | (680) |  | 167 |
| Income (loss) before income taxes and minority interest |  | (451) |  | 2,444 |  | 5,369 |  | 11,693 |
| Income tax expense (benefit) |  | (179) |  | 916 |  | 2,023 |  | 4,616 |
| Income (loss) before minority interest |  | (272) |  | 1,528 |  | 3,346 |  | 7,077 |
| Minority interest in income of subsidiary |  | 21 |  | -- |  | 49 |  | -- |
| Net income (loss) | \$ | (293) | \$ | 1,528 | \$ | 3,297 | \$ | 7,077 |
| Earnings (loss) per share(1): |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Basic | \$ | (0.02) | \$ | 0.09 | \$ | 0.18 | \$ | 0.40 |
| Diluted | \$ | (0.02) | \$ | 0.08 | \$ | 0.17 | \$ | 0.38 |

(1) Per share amounts for the three and nine months ended January 27, 2001 have been restated to reflect a two-for-one stock split in the form of a stock dividend.

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these Consolidated Financial Statements.

|  | NINE MONTHS ENDED |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | JANUARY 26, 2002 <br> (39 WEEKS) |  | $\begin{gathered} \text { JANUARY } 27, \\ 2001 \\ \text { ( } 39 \text { WEEKS ) } \end{gathered}$ |  |
| CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES: |  |  |  |  |
| Net income | \$ | 3,297 | \$ | 7,077 |
| Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities: |  |  |  |  |
| Depreciation |  | 3,127 |  | 2,489 |
| Amortization |  | 385 |  | 220 |
| Minority interest in income of subsidiary |  | 49 |  | -- |
| Provision for doubtful accounts |  | 504 |  | 123 |
| Deferred taxes, net |  | (11) |  | 10 |
| Net change in operating assets and liabilities |  | $(1,743)$ |  | $(5,911)$ |
| Net cash provided by operating expenses |  | 5,608 |  | 4,008 |
| CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES: |  |  |  |  |
| Purchase of property and equipment |  | $(6,533)$ |  | $(6,715)$ |
| Purchase of business |  | -- |  | $(1,071)$ |
| Other, net |  | -- |  | $(6,137)$ |
| Net cash used in investing activities |  | $(6,533)$ |  | $(13,923)$ |
| CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES: |  |  |  |  |
| Net borrowings on notes payable |  | 443 |  | 3,715 |
| Proceeds from long-term debt |  |  |  | 6,752 |
| Principal payments on long-term debt |  | $(2,432)$ |  | $(1,603)$ |
| Proceeds from exercise of stock options |  | 531 |  | 188 |
| Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities |  | $(1,458)$ |  | 9, 052 |
| Effect of exchange rate changes on cash |  | (17) |  | -- |
| DECREASE IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS |  | $(2,400)$ |  | (863) |
| CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS BEGINNING OF PERIOD |  | 2,896 |  | 1,217 |
| CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS END OF PERIOD | \$ | 496 | \$ | 354 |
| SUPPLEMENTAL DISCLOSURES OF CASH FLOW |  |  |  |  |
| Cash payments for: |  |  |  |  |
| Interest |  | 1,120 |  | 1,078 |
| Income taxes, net of refunds |  | 1,537 |  | 2,872 |
| SUPPLEMENTAL SCHEDULE OF NONCASH INVESTING AND |  |  |  |  |
| Purchase of building and equipment through contract for deed | \$ | 2,150 | \$ | -- |

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these Consolidated Financial Statements.

## NOTE 1. BASIS OF PRESENTATION

In the opinion of management, the accompanying unaudited financial statements contain all adjustments necessary to fairly present the Company's financial position, results of operations and cash flows for the periods presented. The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts therein. Due to the inherent uncertainty involved in making estimates, actual results in future periods may differ from those estimates.

Certain information and footnote disclosures normally included in financial statements prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America have been condensed or omitted. These financial statements should be read in conjunction with the Company's financial statements and notes thereto for the year ended April 28, 2001, which are contained in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K, previously filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission. The results of operations for the interim periods presented are not necessarily indicative of results that may be expected for any other interim period or for the full fiscal year.

The consolidated financial statements include the accounts of the Company and its wholly owned and greater than $50 \%$ owned subsidiaries. All significant inter-company accounts and transactions have been eliminated.

## NOTE 2. RECENTLY ISSUED ACCOUNTING PRONOUNCEMENTS

In June 2001, the Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") approved Statements of Financial Accounting Standards ("SFAS") No. 141, "Business Combinations" and No. 142, "Goodwill and Other Intangible Assets." The statements eliminate the pooling-of-interests method of accounting for business combinations and require that goodwill and certain other intangible assets not be amortized. Instead, the statements provide that these assets should be tested, at least annually, for impairment with any related losses recognized as incurred. SFAS No. 141 is generally effective for business combinations completed after June 30, 2001. SFAS No. 142 is effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2001 for existing goodwill and intangible assets and July 1, 2001 for business combinations completed after June 30, 2001. The provisions of SFAS No. 142 will be implemented by the Company in the first quarter of its fiscal year 2003 financial statements. However, as noted above, the remaining unamortized goodwill and intangible asset balances will be subject to periodic impairment analysis, which could require a write-down of these assets upon the adoption of SFAS No. 142 or thereafter. The Company is currently evaluating the impairment requirements, as provided by SFAS No. 142, on the Company's financial statements.

The FASB also recently issued SFAS No. 143, "Accounting for Asset Retirement Obligations." This statement, which is effective for fiscal years beginning after June 15, 2002, covers the accounting for closure or removal-type costs that are incurred with respect to long-lived assets. The nature of the Company's business and long-lived assets is such that adoption of this new standard should have no significant impact on the Company's financial position or results of operations.

In August 2001, the FASB issued SFAS No. 144, "Accounting for the Impairment or Disposal of Long-Lived Assets," which supersedes FASB No. 121, "Accounting for the Impairment of Long-Lived Assets and for Long-Lived Assets to be Disposed of." The new statement also supersedes certain aspects of APB 30, "Reporting the Results of Operations-Reporting the Effects of Disposal of a Segment of a Business, and Extraordinary, Unusual and Infrequently Occurring Events and Transactions," with regard to reporting the effects of a disposal of a segment of a business and will require expected future operating losses from discontinued operations to be reported in discontinued operations in the period incurred rather than as of the measurement date as presently required by APB 30. Additionally, certain dispositions may now qualify for discontinued operations treatment. The provisions of the statement are required to be applied for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2001 and interim periods within those fiscal years. The Company has not yet determined what effect this statement will have on its financial statements.

REVENUE AND COST RECOGNITION ON LONG-TERM CONTRACTS. Earnings on long-term contracts are recognized on the percentage-of-completion method, measured by the percentage of costs incurred to date to estimated total costs for each contract. Operating expenses are charged to operations as incurred and are not allocated to contract costs. Provisions for estimated losses on uncompleted contracts are made in the period in which such losses are estimable.

REVENUE RECOGNITION ON EQUIPMENT OTHER THAN LONG-TERM CONTRACTS. The Company recognizes revenue on equipment sales, other than long-term contracts, when title passes, which is usually upon shipment.

ADVERTISING RIGHTS. The Company occasionally sells and installs its products at facilities in exchange for the rights to future advertising revenues. It recognizes revenue for the amount of the present value of the future advertising payments at such time that all such advertising is sold for the full term of the contract for the advertising rights.

On those transactions where the Company has not sold the advertising for the full term of the rights, it records the related cost of equipment as an advertising rights asset and amortizes that cost over the term of the rights. Revenue is recognized when it is earned under the provisions of applicable advertising contracts. Advance collections of advertising revenues are recorded as deferred income.

PRODUCT MAINTENANCE. In connection with the sale of the Company's products, it also sells product maintenance. The revenue related to product maintenance is deferred and recognized as net sales on a straight-line basis over the term of the agreement.

SOFTWARE. The Company typically sells its proprietary software bundled with its video display and certain other products. Pursuant to American Institute of Certified Public Accountants ("AICPA") Statement of Position ("SOP") 97-2, "Software Revenue Recognition," as amended by SOP 98-4, "Deferral of the Effective Date of a Provision of SOP 97-2" and SOP 98-9, "Modification of SOP 97-2, Software Revenue Recognition with Respect to Certain Transactions". Revenues from software license fees on sales, other than long-term contracts are recognized when persuasive evidence of an agreement exists, delivery of the product has occurred, the fee is fixed or determinable and collection is probable. For sales of software, included in long-term contracts, the revenue is recognized under the percentage-of-completion method for long-term contracts starting when the above-mentioned criteria have been meet.

SERVICES. Revenues generated by the Company for services, event support, control room design, on-site training, and continuing technical support for operators of the Company's equipment are recognized as net sales as the services are performed.

## NOTE 4. EARNINGS PER SHARE

Earnings per common share have been computed on the basis of the weighted-average number of common shares outstanding during each period presented. A reconciliation of the income and common share amounts used in the calculation of basic and diluted earnings per share (EPS) for the three and nine months ended January 26, 2002 and January 27, 2001 follows:

| (LOSS) |  | SHARES | AMOUNT |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| \$ | (293) | 18,217,183 | \$ | (0.02) |
|  | -- | 990,668 |  |  |
| \$ | (293) | 19,207,851 | \$ | (0.02) |
| \$ | 1,528 | 17,849,734 | \$ | 0.09 |
|  | -- | 1,013,996 |  | (0.01) |
| \$ | 1,528 | 18,863,730 | \$ | 0.08 |
| \$ | 3,297 | 18,307,103 | \$ | 0.18 |
|  | -- | 1,210,969 |  | (0.01) |
| \$ | 3,297 | 19,518, 072 | \$ | 0.17 |
| \$ | 7,077 | 17,801,324 | \$ | 0.40 |
|  | -- | 980,958 |  | (0.02) |
| \$ | 7,077 | 18,782,282 | \$ | 0.38 |

For the three months ended January 26, 2002:
Basic loss per share
Effect of dilutive securities:
Exercise of stock options and warrants
Diluted loss per share

For the three months ended January 27, 2001:
Basic earnings per share
Effect of dilutive securities:
Exercise of stock options and warrants
Diluted earnings per share

For the nine months ended January 26, 2002:
Basic earnings per share
Effect of dilutive securities:
Exercise of stock options and warrants
Diluted earnings per share

For the nine months ended January 27, 2001:
Basic earnings per share
Effect of dilutive securities:
Exercise of stock options and warrants
Diluted earnings per share

On May 24, 2001, the Company declared a two-for-one stock split in the form of a stock dividend of one share of common stock for each one share outstanding, payable to shareholders of record on June 11, 2001. All data related to common shares has been retroactively adjusted based upon the new shares outstanding after the effect of the two-for-one stock split for all periods presented.

NOTE 5. INVENTORIES
Inventories consist of the following:

Raw Materials
Work-in-process
Finished goods

|  | , 2002 | APRIL 28, 2001 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| \$ | 8,924 | \$ | 9,610 |
|  | 2,100 |  | 2,439 |
|  | 7,730 |  | 7,670 |
| \$ | 18,754 | \$ | 19,719 |

NOTE 6. LITIGATION
The Company is involved in various claims and legal actions arising in the ordinary course of business. In the opinion of management, based upon consultation with legal counsel, the ultimate disposition of these matters will not have a material adverse effect on the Company's consolidated financial position.

The Company's chief operating decision maker reviews financial information presented on a consolidated basis, accompanied by disaggregated information about revenue and certain expenses, by market and geographic region, for purposes of assessing financial performance and making operating decisions Accordingly, the Company considers itself to be operating in a single industry segment. The Company has no individual customers which constitute a significant concentration.

The Company does not maintain information on sales by products, and therefore, disclosure of such information is not practical.

The following table presents information about the Company by geographic area:

| United States | Other | Total |
| :---: | ---: | ---: |
| $------------------~$ |  |  |
| 104,357 | 8,325 | 112,682 |
| 101,789 | 7,932 | 109,721 |
| 37,050 | 259 | 37,309 |

ITEM 2. MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

The following discussion highlights the principal factors affecting changes in financial condition and results of operations. This discussion should be read in conjunction with the accompanying Consolidated Financial Statements and Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements.

## OVERVIEW

Daktronics is a leading supplier of electronic scoreboards, computer programmable display systems, and large video displays for sport, business and transportation applications. The Company offers the most complete line of large display products of any single manufacturer, from smaller indoor scoreboards and displays, to multi-million dollar outdoor video display systems. The Company is recognized worldwide as a technical leader with the capabilities to design, manufacture, install and service complete integrated systems that display real-time data, graphics, animation and video.

The Company has sold display systems ranging from small standard scoreboards priced under $\$ 1,000$ to large complex display systems priced in excess of $\$ 13$ million.

The Company's net sales and profitability historically have fluctuated due to the impact of large product orders, such as display systems for commercial applications and major league sports, as well as the seasonality of the sports market. The Company's gross margins on large product orders tend to fluctuate more than those for small standard orders. Large product orders that involve competitive bidding and substantial subcontract work for product installation generally have lower gross margins. Although the Company follows the percentage of completion method of recognizing revenues for orders in excess of $\$ 100,000$, the Company nevertheless has experienced fluctuations in operating results and expects that its future results of operations may be subject to similar fluctuations.

The Company operates on a 52-53 week fiscal year, with fiscal years ending on the Saturday closest to April 30 of each year. The first three quarters end on the Saturday closest to July 31, October 31 and January 31.

For a summary of pending accounting pronouncements, see Note 2 of the Notes to the Consolidated Financial Statements.

## RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

The following table sets forth the percentage of net sales represented by items included in the Company's Consolidated Statements of Operations for the periods indicated:

|  | THREE MONTHS ENDED |  | NINE MONTHS ENDED |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | JANUARY 26, 2002 (13 WEEKS) | JANUARY 27, 2001 (13 WEEKS) | JANUARY 26, 2002 (39 WEEKS) | JANUARY 27, 2001 (39 WEEKS) |
| Net sales | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% | 100.0\% |
| Cost of goods sold | 70.7\% | 70.4\% | 70.2\% | 70.0\% |
| Gross profit | 29.3\% | 29.6\% | 29.8\% | 30.0\% |
| Operating expenses | 29.9\% | 22.2\% | 24.4\% | 19.5\% |
| Operating income (loss) | (0.6\%) | 7.4\% | 5.4\% | 10.5\% |
| Interest income | 0.7\% | 0.6\% | 0.5\% | 0.5\% |
| Interest expense | (1.2\%) | (1.4\%) | (1.1\%) | (1.0\%) |
| Other income (expense), net | (0.4\%) | 0.8\% | 0.0\% | 0.6\% |
| Income (loss) before income taxes and minority interest | (1.5\%) | 7.4\% | 4.8\% | 10.6\% |
| Income tax expense (benefit) | (0.6\%) | 2.8\% | 1.9\% | 4.2\% |
| Income (loss) before minority interest | (0.9\%) | 4.6\% | 2.9\% | 6.4\% |
| Minority interest in income of subsidiary | (0.0\%) | -- | (0.0\%) | - - |
| Net income (loss) | (0.9\%) | 4.6\% | 2.9\% | 6.4\% |

NET SALES
Net sales increased $2.7 \%$ to $\$ 112.7$ million for the nine months ending January 26, 2002 compared to $\$ 109.7$ million for the same period in fiscal year 2001. Net sales decreased $6.7 \%$ to $\$ 30.9$ million for the three months ending January 26, 2002 from $\$ 33.1$ million for the same period in fiscal year 2001. The decline in net sales for the quarter ending January 26,2002 as compared to the same period of fiscal year 2001 was due to a decline in sales in the commercial market, partially offset by an increase in sales in the sports market. The increase in net sales for the nine months ending January 26, 2002 as compared to the same period of fiscal year 2001 was due to an increase in sales in the sports and transportation markets, offset by a decline in sales for the commercial markets. Included in sales and orders for the quarter and nine months ending January 27, 2001 were portions of an unusually large order for the commercial market that is a significant factor in the decline in sales for the quarter and nine months ending January 26, 2002. Within the commercial market the decline resulted from the worsening economic conditions as compared to the prior fiscal year and a decline in sales to destination type markets such as casinos and New York City as a result of the events of September 11, 2001. The increase in the sports market included increases in both large and small venues due to further market penetration resulting from regionalization, increasing sales of new products developed by the Company and lowering product costs.

The order backlog decreased approximately $28 \%$ to $\$ 30.1$ million as of January 26, 2002 as compared to approximately $\$ 43.0$ million as of January 27, 2001. Historically, the Company's backlog varies significantly due to timing of large orders during the year. The backlog as of January 27, 2001 included a significant commercial market order booked in fiscal year 2001. The decline in backlog was across all three of the Company's markets, however the most significant decline was in the commercial market.

Year to date order bookings for the Company are down for the nine months ending January 26, 2002 as compared to the nine months ending January 27, 2001, primarily due to the decline in order bookings in the commercial markets, although orders in the transportation market were also slightly down. The Company expects
that orders in the sports and transportation markets will be up over the fiscal year 2001, while orders in the commercial market will be down from fiscal year 2001 and that order booking and net sales will begin to grow as economic conditions improve.

## GROSS PROFIT

Gross profit increased $2.1 \%$ to $\$ 33.6$ million for the nine months ending January 26, 2002 compared to $\$ 32.9$ million for the same period in fiscal year 2001. Gross profit decreased $7.5 \%$ to $\$ 9.0$ million for the three months ending January 26, 2002 from $\$ 9.8$ million for the same period in fiscal year 2001. The change for both the quarter and nine months ending January 26, 2002 as compared to the same periods of fiscal year 2001 was primarily due to the changes in net sales. The gross profit percentage was relatively consistent for both the quarter and nine months ending January 26,2002 as compared to the same periods of fiscal year 2001. In general, gross profit percentages were positively affected by cost improvements in manufacturing, slightly better margins on large contracts, and a transfer of certain indirect personnel from manufacturing to sales and were negatively affected by a slight decline in the gross profit margins on standard product sales.

## OPERATING EXPENSES

SELLING EXPENSES. Selling expenses consist primarily of salaries, other employee related costs, travel and entertainment, facilities-related costs for sales and service offices, and expenditures for marketing efforts including such things as collateral materials, conventions and trade shows, product demos and supplies. Selling expenses increased $25.2 \%$ to $\$ 16.6$ million for the nine months ending January 26, 2002 compared to $\$ 13.3$ million for the same period in fiscal year 2001. Selling expenses increased $28.3 \%$ to $\$ 5.6$ million for the three months ending January 26,2002 from $\$ 4.4$ million for the same period in fiscal year 2001. Selling expenses were $14.8 \%$ and $12.1 \%$ of net sales for the nine months ending January 26,2002 and January 27, 2001, respectively. Selling expenses were $18.1 \%$ and $13.2 \%$ of net sales for the three months ending January 26,2002 and January 27, 2001, respectively. The change in dollars for both the quarter and nine months ending January 26, 2002 as compared to the same periods of fiscal year 2001 was primarily due to increased costs of personnel as the Company continued to develop its markets through an increased number of offices in North America as part of its regionalization efforts, increased spending to develop its video content and animation business, and an increase in advertising and marketing. The increased number of offices resulted in higher facility, depreciation, supplies and other costs typically associated with a remote office, and was slightly offset through lower costs of travel. Finally, the Company continued to experience higher levels of bad debt expense in the second and third quarters of fiscal year 2002 as compared to the same periods of last fiscal year primarily due to losses in the transportation and international markets. As a percentage of net sales, selling expenses were higher in both the quarter and nine months ending January 26, 2002 than the prior fiscal year periods, primarily as a result of a lower level of net sales than the Company had expected to achieve.

The Company had expected to achieve a decline in selling expenses from the second quarter of fiscal year 2002 to the third quarter of fiscal year 2002. This decline was not achieved due to a number of factors, including the higher bad debt reserves mentioned above, the timing of certain cost reductions which were late in the third quarter, and finally higher marketing expenses related to the opening of the American Airlines center in Dallas, Texas, a significant project completed by the Company earlier in the current fiscal year. The Company expects selling expenses to decline in the fourth quarter of fiscal year 2002 and into fiscal year 2003 as compared to the third quarter of fiscal year 2002 as a result of recent reductions.

GENERAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE. General and administrative expenses consist primarily of salaries, other employee-related costs, professional fees, facilities and equipment related costs for administration departments, amortization of intangibles, and supplies. General and administrative expenses increased $31.4 \%$ to $\$ 5.6$ million for the nine months ending January 26,2002 compared to $\$ 4.3$ million for the same period in fiscal year 2001. General and administrative expenses increased $6.3 \%$ to $\$ 1.7$ million for the three months ending January 26, 2002 from $\$ 1.6$ million for the same period in fiscal year 2001. The change for both the quarter and nine months ending January 26, 2002 as compared to the same periods of fiscal year 2001 was primarily due to increased costs of personnel as the Company positioned itself for higher levels of net sales, the building of infrastructure to support the regionalization
efforts of sales, higher professional fees and higher employee benefit costs. As a percentage of net sales, the increase for both the quarter and nine months ending January 26, 2002 over the previous periods of fiscal year 2001 was due to the items mentioned above as well as a lower level of net sales than expected.

PRODUCT DESIGN AND DEVELOPMENT. Product design and development expenses consist primarily of salaries, other employee-related costs, facilities and equipment related costs, and supplies. Product design and development expenses increased $38.5 \%$ to $\$ 5.3$ million for the nine months ending January 26, 2002 compared to $\$ 3.8$ million for the same period in fiscal year 2001. Product design and development expenses increased $40.6 \%$ to $\$ 1.9$ million for the three months ending January 26, 2002 from $\$ 1.3$ million for the same period in fiscal year 2001. The change for both the quarter and nine months ending January 26,2002 as compared to the same periods of fiscal year 2001 was primarily due to increased costs of personnel associated with design and development efforts. As a percentage of net sales the increase for both the quarter and nine months ending January 26, 2002 over the previous periods of fiscal year 2001 was due to the items mentioned above as well as a lower level of net sales than the Company had expected to achieve and a planned increase by the Company resulting from its intentions to invest at least $4 \%$ of net sales on an annual basis back into product design, development and research. The Company expects these costs to decline as a percentage of net sales in the fourth quarter and into fiscal year 2003.

## INTEREST INCOME

The Company occasionally sells products on an installment basis or in exchange for advertising revenues from the scoreboard or display, both of which result in long-term receivables. Interest income resulting primarily from these long-term receivables, remained level at $\$ 0.6$ million for the nine months ending January 26, 2002 and for the same period in fiscal year 2001. Interest income for the three months ending January 26, 2002 and the same period in fiscal year 2001 was also level at $\$ 0.2$ million.

## INTEREST EXPENSE

Interest expense is comprised primarily of interest costs on the Company's notes payable and long-term debt. Interest expense increased $15.8 \%$ to $\$ 1.2$ million for the nine months ending January 26,2002 as compared to $\$ 1.0$ million for the nine months ended January 27, 2001. Interest expense decreased $21.7 \%$ to $\$ 0.4$ million for the three months ending January 26,2002 from $\$ 0.5$ million for the same period in fiscal year 2001. The change for both periods was related to higher average levels of debt, notes payable, and long-term debt, offset by a decline in average interest rates during the periods noted.

## LIQUIDITY AND CAPITAL RESOURCES

Working capital was $\$ 24.5$ million at January 26, 2002 and $\$ 27.0$ million at April 28, 2001. Working capital provided by net income, depreciation and amortization was offset by purchases of property and equipment and repayment of long-term debt. The Company has historically financed working capital needs through a combination of cash flow from operations and borrowings under bank credit agreements.

Cash provided by operations for the nine months ended January 26, 2002 was $\$ 5.6$ million. Net income of $\$ 3.3$ million plus depreciation and amortization of $\$ 3.5$ million, a decrease in accounts receivable and inventories and an increase in billings in excess of costs on uncompleted contracts was offset by an increase in costs and estimated earnings in excess of billings on uncompleted projects and a decrease in accounts payable and accrued expenses. Cash used by investing activities consisted of $\$ 6.5$ million of purchases of property and equipment as described below. Cash provided from financing activities included $\$ 0.4$ million of net borrowings under the Company's line of credit, and $\$ 0.5$ million in proceeds from the exercise of stock options. Cash used for financing activities consisted of $\$ 2.4$ million of repayment of long-term debt.

The decline in accounts receivable resulted from enhanced collection efforts and dedication of personnel to achieve targeted reductions. In addition, the impact of one large long-term contract with revenues included in costs and estimated earnings in excess of billings on uncompleted projects as opposed to accounts receivable, in accordance with the payment terms of the contract, contributed to the decline in accounts receivable and the increase
in costs and estimated earnings in excess of billings on uncompleted projects. The decline in inventories was the result of lower levels of sales as compared to prior periods and focused efforts by the Company to reduce levels of inventory. Finally, accounts payable and accrued expenses declined as a result of lower levels of sales and related costs of sales and reductions in operating expenses implemented by the Company during the quarter. Included in accounts receivable as of January 26,2002 , was approximately $\$ 1,300,000$ of retainage on long-term contracts, all of which is expected to be collected in one year.

During the nine months ended January 26, 2002, the Company invested approximately $\$ 2.0$ million in equipment for its SportsLink, Inc. subsidiary to increase its fleet of video boards available for rental. In addition, the Company purchased additional facilities within close proximity to its existing manufacturing facilities in order to increase manufacturing capacity. The total cost of the new facilities which was approximately $\$ 2.2$ million, was financed through a contract for deed with the seller of the property. Finally, during the first nine months of the current fiscal year, the Company invested approximately $\$ 2.8$ million in manufacturing equipment and approximately $\$ 2.0$ million in office equipment and furniture as it expanded its general office space to accommodate its planned growth in personnel to support higher sales.

The Company has used and expects to continue to use cash reserves and bank borrowings to meet its short-term working capital requirements. On large product orders, the time between acceptance and completion may extend up to 18 months depending on the amount of custom work and the customer's delivery needs. The Company often receives a down payment or progress payments on these product orders. To the extent that these payments are not sufficient to fund the costs and other expenses associated with these orders, the Company uses working capital and bank borrowings to finance these cash requirements.

The Company's product development activities include the enhancement of existing products and the development of new products from existing technologies. Product design and development expenses were $\$ 5.3$ million for the nine months ended January 26, 2002 and $\$ 3.8$ million for the nine months ended January 27, 2001, respectively. The Company intends to continue to incur these expenditures to develop new display products using various display technologies to offer higher resolution, and more cost effective and energy efficient displays. The Company also intends to continue developing software applications for its display controllers to enable these products to continue to meet the needs and expectations of the marketplace.

The Company has a credit agreement with a bank providing for a $\$ 20.0$ million line of credit, which includes up to $\$ 2.0$ million for standby letters of credit. The line of credit is at LIBOR rate plus $1.55 \%$ ( $3.37 \%$ at January 26 , 2002) and is due on October 1, 2002. As of January 26, 2002, $\$ 8.4$ million had been drawn on the line of credit and no standby letters of credit had been issued by the bank. The credit agreement is unsecured and requires the Company to meet certain covenants. Financial covenants include the maintenance of tangible net worth of at least $\$ 23$ million, a minimum liquidity ratio, a limit on dividends and distributions, and a minimum adjusted fixed charge coverage ratio.

The Company's Sports Link, Inc. subsidiary has various lines of credit for operating needs and equipment purchases totaling approximately $\$ 2.0$ million. These lines carry interest rates varying from prime (4.75\% at January 26, 2002), to prime $+1 / 2 \%$ (with minimum and maximum rates between $6.5 \%$ and $9.5 \%$ ), ( $6.5 \%$ at January 26, 2002). These lines are secured by a guarantee by the Company as well as substantially all the assets of the subsidiary. These lines of credit terminate over the next 12 months. The Company expects to be able to renew these lines as they expire.

The Company is sometimes required to obtain performance bonds for display installations. The Company currently has a bonding line available through a surety company that provides for an aggregate of $\$ 100.0$ million in bonded work outstanding. At January 26, 2002, the Company had approximately $\$ 10.1$ million of bonded work outstanding against this line.

The Company believes that if its growth continues, it may need to increase the amount of its credit facility. The Company anticipates that it will be able to obtain any needed funds under commercially reasonable terms from its current lender. The Company believes that cash from operations, from its existing or increased credit facility, and its current working capital will be adequate to meet the cash requirements of its operations in the foreseeable future.

## FOREIGN CURRENCY EXCHANGE RATES

Through January 26, 2002 substantially all of the Company's net sales were denominated in United States dollars, and its exposure to foreign currency exchange rate changes has been immaterial. Through January 26, 2002, net sales originating outside the United States, substantially all of which were denominated in United States dollars were 7\% of total net sales. It is expected that net sales in the future to international markets may increase as a percentage of net sales; however, the Company does not expect that such increase in such sales will be denominated in foreign currencies. As a result, operating results are not expected to become subject to significant fluctuations based upon changes in the exchange rates of certain currencies in relation to the United States dollar. However, to the extent that the Company engages in international sales denominated in United States dollars, an increase in the value of the United States dollar relative to foreign currencies could make the Company's products less competitive in international markets. Although the Company will continue to monitor and minimize it's exposure to currency fluctuations, and, when appropriate, may use financial hedging techniques in the future to minimize the effect of these fluctuations, exchange rate fluctuations as well as differing economic conditions, changes in political climates, differing tax structures and other rules and regulations could adversely affect the Company's financial results in the future.

## INTEREST RATE RISKS

The Company's exposure to market rate risk for changes in interest rates relates primarily to the Company's debt and long-term accounts receivable. The Company maintains a blend of both fixed and floating rate debt instruments. As of January 26, 2002, the Company's outstanding debt approximated $\$ 22.3$ million, with approximately $\$ 14.5$ million in fixed rate obligations. Each 100 basis point increase or decrease in interest rates would have an approximate $\$ 78,000$ annual effect on variable rate debt interest based on the balances of such debt as of as of January 26, 2002. For fixed rate debt, interest rate changes affects its fair market value, but do not impact earnings or cash flows.

In connection with the sale of certain scoreboards and message display centers, the Company has entered into long-term sales contracts and sales type leases. The aggregate amounts due from customers include an imputed interest element. The majority of these financings carry fixed rates of interest. As of January 26, 2002, the Company's outstanding long-term receivables were approximately $\$ 8.5$ million. Each 25 basis point increase in interest rates would have an associated annual opportunity cost of approximately $\$ 21,000$.

The following table provides information about the Company's financial instruments that are sensitive to changes in interest rates, including debt obligations for the quarter ending April 26, 2002, and the fiscal years following fiscal year 2002. Weighted average variable interest rates are based on implied forward rates in the yield curve at the reporting date.

| FOURTH |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| QUARTER | FISCAL YEAR ENDING |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- |  |  |  |  | --- | THERE |
| 2002 | 2003 | 2004 | 2005 | 2006 | 2007 | AFTER |

Assets:
Long-term receivables, including:
192 1,591 $1,773 \quad 1,229 \quad 1,076 \quad 754 \quad 1,610$
current portion
Fixed rate

| Average interest rate | $6.2 \%$ | $7.1 \%$ | $7.6 \%$ | $9.8 \%$ | $9.9 \%$ | $9.6 \%$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |

Liabilities:
Long and short term debt

| Fixed rate | 2,825 | 3,484 | 3,113 | 1,469 | 3,368 | 253 | 36 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Average interest rate | $8.0 \%$ | $7.5 \%$ | $7.6 \%$ | $8.5 \%$ | $6.3 \%$ | $9.1 \%$ | $12.0 \%$ |
| Variable rate |  | 7,741 |  |  |  |  |  |

The carrying amounts reported on the balance sheet for long-term receivables and long and short-term debt approximates its fair value.

Substantially all of the Companys cash balances are denominated in United States dollars. Cash balances in foreign currencies are operating balances maintained in accounts of the Company's Canadian subsidiary. These balances are immaterial to the Company as a whole.

PART II. OTHER INFORMATION

ITEM 1. LEGAL PROCEEDINGS

None
ITEM 2. CHANGES IN SECURITIES AND USE OF PROCEEDS
None
ITEM 3. DEFAULTS UPON SENIOR SECURITIES
None
ITEM 4. SUBMISSION OF MATTERS TO A VOTE OF SECURITY HOLDERS
None
ITEM 5. OTHER INFORMATION
None

ITEM 6. EXHIBITS AND REPORTS ON FORM 8-K

None

## 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 thereunto duly authorized.
/s/ James B. Morgan, Chief Executive Officer
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Daktronics, Inc.
(James B. Morgan, Chief Executive Officer)
(Chief Executive Officer)
/s/ William R. Retterath, Chief Financial Officer
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Daktronics, Inc.
(William R. Retterath, Chief Financial Officer) (Principal Financial Officer)

