UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, DC 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): August 26, 2020



Daktronics, Inc.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

South Dakota

(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)

0-23246

(Commission File Number)

46-0306862

(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

201 Daktronics Drive
Brookings, SD 57006
(Address of Principal Executive Offices, and Zip Code)

(605) 692-0200

(Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code)

Not Applicable

(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K	filing is intended to	simultaneously s	atisfy the filing	obligation of the
registrant under any of the following provisions:				

- ☐ Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
- \square Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
- □ Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- ☐ Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:

Title of each class	Trading Symbol(s)	Name of each exchange on which registered
Common Stock, No Par Value	DAKT	NASDAQ Global Select Market
Preferred Stock Purchase Rights	DAKT	NASDAQ Global Select Market

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (17 CFR §230.405) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (17 CFR §240.12b-2).

Emerging growth company \square

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act. o

Section 2 - Financial Information

Item 2.02 Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

On August 26, 2020 Daktronics Inc. (the "Registrant") issued a press release announcing its financial results for the three months ended August 1, 2020 of fiscal 2021. A copy of the press release is filed herewith as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated herein by reference.

The information furnished in this report, including the exhibit shall not be incorporated by reference into Daktronics' filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission under the Securities Act of 1933 and shall not be deemed "filed" with the SEC for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Act of 1934.

Section 9 – Financial Statements and Exhibits

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits:

(d) Exhibits. The following exhibit is furnished as part of this Report:

99.1 Press Release dated August 26, 2020 issued by Registrant regarding first quarter fiscal 2021 results.

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.

DAKTRONICS, INC.

By: /s/ Sheila M. Anderson Sheila M. Anderson, Chief Financial Officer

Date: August 26, 2020

EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit No.

Description

99.1 Press Release dated August 26, 2020 issued by Registrant regarding first quarter fiscal 2021 results.



Daktronics, Inc. Announces First Quarter Fiscal 2021 Results

Brookings, S.D., August 26, 2020 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- Daktronics, Inc. (NASDAQ - DAKT) today reported fiscal 2021 first quarter results. Daktronics reported fiscal 2021 first quarter net sales of \$143.6 million, operating income of \$9.5 million, and net income of \$7.5 million, and earnings per diluted share of \$0.17. This compares to net sales of \$180.3 million, operating income of \$7.6 million, and net income of \$7.0 million, or \$0.16 per diluted share, for the first quarter of fiscal 2020. Fiscal 2021 first quarter orders were \$122.2 million, compared to \$187.5 million for the first quarter of fiscal 2020. Product order backlog at the end of the fiscal 2021 first quarter was \$192 million, compared to \$207 million a year earlier and \$212 million at the end of the fourth quarter of fiscal 2021.

Fiscal 2021 is a 52-week year and fiscal 2020 was a 53-week year; therefore, the three months ended August 1, 2020 contains operating results for 13 weeks while the three months ended August 3, 2019 contained operating results for 14 weeks. Sales, orders, and other results of operations were impacted due to the additional week of operations.

Cash generated by operating activities in the first three months of fiscal 2021 was \$8.5 million, compared to cash consumed of \$18.2 million in operating activities in the first three months of fiscal 2020. During 2020, cash flow from operating activities fluctuated due to a rise in accounts receivable, contract assets, and inventories corresponding with the seasonality of our business. Free cash flow, defined as cash provided by or used in operating activities less net investment in property and equipment, was a positive \$5.5 million for the first three months of fiscal 2021, as compared to a negative \$24.0 million for the same period of fiscal 2020. Net investment in property and equipment was \$3.1 million for the first three months of fiscal 2021, as compared to \$5.8 million for the first three months of fiscal 2020. Cash, restricted cash, and marketable securities at the end of the first quarter of fiscal 2021 were \$45.9 million, which compares to \$33.0 million at the end of the first quarter of fiscal 2020.

Orders for the first quarter of fiscal 2021 decreased 34.8 percent as compared to the first quarter of fiscal 2020. For comparison, orders paced at \$9.4 million per week during the first quarter of fiscal 2021 as compared to \$13.4 million during the same time last year. Each business unit's order volume was lower in fiscal 2021 because of the additional week in first quarter of fiscal 2020, timing of large contract orders which cause lumpiness, and due to lower market activity in light of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Net sales decreased by 20.3 percent in the first quarter of fiscal 2021 as compared to the first quarter of fiscal 2020. Net sales decreased in all business units. The change in sales primarily relates to fluctuations in the timing of order bookings, and related conversion to sales. Some shipping and on-site delays continue to be caused by COVID-19 related work restrictions or customer delays in readiness for their applications.

Gross profit as a percentage of net sales was 24.9 percent for the first quarter of fiscal 2021 as compared to 25.2 percent a year earlier. Operating expenses for the first quarter of fiscal 2021 were \$26.2 million, compared to \$37.9 million for the first quarter of fiscal 2020, or a decrease of 30.8 percent. Approximately \$2.7 million of this decrease is due to the additional week during the first quarter of fiscal 2020. The remaining declines are attributed to our focus on managing our expenses to expected order volumes. Overall operating expenses were attributed to lower personnel costs offset by severance costs for reductions in force, lower travel and entertainment activities, and lowered marketing and convention events. Operating income as a percent of sales for the quarter was 6.6 percent as compared to 4.2 percent during the first quarter of fiscal 2020.

The effective tax rate for the first quarter of fiscal 2021 was 16.4 percent compared to an effective tax rate of 12.6 percent for the first quarter of fiscal 2020.

Reece Kurtenbach, chairman, president and chief executive officer stated, "During the first quarter of fiscal 2021, our customers reduced their spend on audio-visual systems as they worked through the economic and business implications of COVID-19. We took corresponding action to reduce our operating expenses to align with expected order and sales declines. These actions along with reduced investments in capital assets and suspension of dividends and share repurchases helped us maintain stability in liquidity and our cash position."

Outlook

Kurtenbach added, "We believe the audio-visual industry fundamentals will drive long-term growth for our business, but the near-term outlook shows contraction and greater volatility overall. We expect our customers will continue to have disruptions in revenues caused by COVID-19 throughout the current fiscal year. We are focused on promoting our value to new and existing markets, while managing our cost structure to meet the uncertain demand. Even though we face a challenging fiscal 2021, we intend to emerge as a stronger organization."

About Daktronics

Daktronics has strong leadership positions in, and is the world's largest supplier of, large-screen video displays, electronic scoreboards, LED text and graphics displays, and related control systems. The company excels in the control of display systems, including those that require integration of multiple complex displays showing real-time information, graphics, animation, and video. Daktronics designs, manufactures, markets and services display systems for customers around the world in four domestic business units: Live Events, Commercial, High School Park and Recreation, and Transportation, and one International business unit. For more information, visit the company's website at: www.daktronics.com, email the company at investor@daktronics.com, call (605) 692-0200 or toll-free (800) 843-5843 in the United States, or write to the company at 201 Daktronics Dr., P.O. Box 5128, Brookings, S.D. 57006-

Safe Harbor Statement

Cautionary Notice: In addition to statements of historical fact, this news release contains forward-looking statements within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995 and is intended to enjoy the protection of that Act. These forward-looking statements reflect the Company's expectations or beliefs concerning future events. The Company cautions that these and similar statements involve risk and uncertainties which could cause actual results to differ materially from our expectations, including, but not limited to, changes in economic and market conditions, management of growth, timing and magnitude of future contracts and orders, fluctuations in margins, the introduction of new products and technology, the impact of adverse weather conditions, increased regulation and other risks described in the company's SEC filings, including its Annual Report on Form 10-K for its 2020

fiscal year. Forward-looking statements are made in the context of information available as of the date stated. The Company undertakes no obligation t
update or revise such statements to reflect new circumstances or unanticipated events as they occur.

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(1) Backlog is not a measure defined by U.S. generally accepted accounting principles ("GAAP"), and our methodology for determining backlog may vary from the methodology used by other companies in determining their backlog amounts. For more information related to backlog, see Part I, Item 1. Business of our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended May 2, 2020.

Daktronics, Inc. and Subsidiaries Consolidated Statements of Operations (in thousands, except per share amounts) (unaudited)

	Three I	Three Months Ended			
	August 1, 2020		August 3, 2019		
Net sales	\$ 143,644	\$	180,256		
Cost of sales	107,883		134,751		
Gross profit	35,761		45,505		
Operating expenses:					
Selling	11,556		18,297		
General and administrative	7,124		9,093		
Product design and development	7,532	. <u> </u>	10,500		
	26,212		37,890		
Operating income	9,549		7,615		
Nonoperating (expense) income:					
Interest income	85		269		
Interest expense	(73)	(35)		
Other (expense) income, net	(627)	193		
Income before income taxes	8,934		8,042		
Income tax expense	1,467		1,012		
Net income	\$ 7,467	\$	7,030		
Weighted average shares outstanding:					
Basic	44,654		45,089		
Diluted	44,751		45,261		
Earnings per share:					
Basic	\$ 0.17	\$	0.16		
Diluted	\$ 0.17	\$	0.16		
Cash dividends declared per share	\$ —	- \$	0.05		

Daktronics, Inc. and Subsidiaries Consolidated Balance Sheets

(in thousands)

	A	August 1, 2020 (unaudited)		May 2, 2020	
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ASSETS					
CURRENT ASSETS:					
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	44,609	\$	40,398	
Restricted cash		96		14	
Marketable securities		1,230		1,230	
Accounts receivable, net		88,608		72,577	
Inventories		81,435		86,803	
Contract assets		33,261		35,467	
Current maturities of long-term receivables		3,306		3,519	
Prepaid expenses and other current assets		7,595		9,629	
Income tax receivables		260		548	
Property and equipment and other assets available for sale		1,966		1,817	
Total current assets		262,366		252,002	
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Property and equipment, net		66,059		67,484	
Long-term receivables, less current maturities		739		1,114	
Goodwill		8,048		7,743	
Intangibles, net		3,070		3,354	
Investment in affiliates and other assets		26,526		27,683	
Deferred income taxes	_	13,312		13,271	
Total non-current assets		117,754		120,649	
TOTAL ASSETS	\$	380,120	\$	372,651	

Daktronics, Inc. and Subsidiaries Consolidated Balance Sheets (continued)

(in thousands)

		August 1, 2020 (unaudited)		May 2, 2020
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LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY				
CURRENT LIABILITIES:				
Accounts payable	\$	48,255	\$	47,834
Contract liabilities		50,159		50,897
Accrued expenses		33,941		36,626
Warranty obligations		10,648		9,764
Income taxes payable		1,107		844
Total current liabilities		144,110		145,965
Long-term warranty obligations		16,412		15,860
Long-term contract liabilities		10,715		10,707
Other long-term obligations		21,469		22,105
Long-term income taxes payable		723		582
Deferred income taxes		469		452
Total long-term liabilities		49,788		49,706
TOTAL LIABILITIES		193,898		195,671
SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY:				
Common stock		60,010		60,010
Additional paid-in capital		45,192		44,627
Retained earnings		92,557		85,090
Treasury stock, at cost		(7,297)		(7,470)
Accumulated other comprehensive loss		(4,240)		(5,277)
TOTAL SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY		186,222		176,980
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY	\$	380,120	\$	372,651

Daktronics, Inc. and Subsidiaries Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows

(in thousands) (unaudited)

		Three Months Ended			
	August 1, 2020		A	August 3, 2019	
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES:					
Net income	\$	7,467	\$	7,030	
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by (used in) operating activities:					
Depreciation and amortization		4,337		4,383	
Loss on sale of property, equipment and other assets		(53)		(26)	
Share-based compensation		539		643	
Equity in loss of affiliates		529		118	
Provision for doubtful accounts		1		5	
Deferred income taxes, net		(4)		(40)	
Change in operating assets and liabilities		(4,271)		(30,331)	
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities		8,545		(18,218)	
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES:					
Purchases of property and equipment		(3,155)		(5,856)	
Proceeds from sales of property, equipment and other assets		86		73	
Proceeds from sales or maturities of marketable securities		_		14,510	
Purchases of and loans to equity investment		(492)		(455)	
Net cash (used in) provided by investing activities		(3,561)		8,272	
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CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES:		(210)		(1.221)	
Principal payments on long-term obligations Dividends paid		(210)		(1,221)	
Payments for common shares repurchased		_		(2,250)	
Net cash used in financing activities		(210)		(1,187) (4,658)	
Net cash used in financing activities		(210)		(4,030)	
EFFECT OF EXCHANGE RATE CHANGES ON CASH		(481)		(37)	
NET INCREASE IN CASH, CASH EQUIVALENTS AND RESTRICTED CASH		4,293		(14,641)	
CASH, CASH EQUIVALENTS AND RESTRICTED CASH:					
Beginning of period		40,412		35,742	
End of period	\$	44,705	\$	21,101	

Daktronics, Inc. and Subsidiaries Net Sales and Orders by Business Unit

(in thousands) (unaudited)

	Three Months Ended						
	 August 1, August 3, 2020 2019		Do	llar Change	Percent Change		
Net Sales:	 						
Commercial	\$ 34,506	\$	44,035	\$	(9,529)	(21.6)%	
Live Events	51,474		59,306		(7,832)	(13.2)	
High School Park and Recreation	28,943		30,465		(1,522)	(5.0)	
Transportation	14,498		19,018		(4,520)	(23.8)	
International	14,223		27,432		(13,209)	(48.2)	
	\$ 143,644	\$	180,256	\$	(36,612)	(20.3)%	
Orders:	 						
Commercial	\$ 25,533	\$	38,648	\$	(13,115)	(33.9)%	
Live Events	41,860		66,969		(25,109)	(37.5)	
High School Park and Recreation	28,099		30,552		(2,453)	(8.0)	
Transportation	13,089		22,215		(9,126)	(41.1)	
International	13,572		29,079		(15,507)	(53.3)	
	\$ 122,153	\$	187,463	\$	(65,310)	(34.8)%	

Reconciliation of Free Cash Flow*

(in thousands) (unaudited)

	Three Months Ended			
	August 1, 2020		August 3, 2019	
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	\$ 8,545	\$	(18,218)	
Purchases of property and equipment	(3,155)		(5,856)	
Proceeds from sales of property and equipment	86		73	
Free cash flow	\$ 5,476	\$	(24,001)	

^{*}In evaluating its business, Daktronics considers and uses free cash flow as a key measure of its operating performance. The term free cash flow is not defined under U.S. generally accepted accounting principles ("GAAP") and is not a measure of operating income, cash flows from operating activities or other GAAP figures and should not be considered alternatives to those computations. Free cash flow is intended to provide information that may be useful for investors when assessing period to period results.