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 25, 2008

Johnson Outdoors Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

0-16255

39-1536083 (IRS Employer

Identification No.)

(Commission File Number)

555 Main Street, Racine, Wisconsin 53403

(Address of principal executive offices, including zip code)

(262) 631-6600

(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 satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

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Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c)) []

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

Wisconsin

Section 2 - Financial Information

Item 2.02. Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

On April 25, 2008, Johnson Outdoors Inc. (the "Company") issued a press release announcing results for the fiscal second quarter and six months ended March 28, 2008 (the "Press Release"). A copy of the Press Release is being furnished as Exhibit 99.1 to this Report.

The information in this Form 8-K, including Exhibit 99.1, is being furnished and shall not be deemed to be "filed" for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), or otherwise subject to the liability of that Section, nor shall such information be deemed to be incorporated by reference in any registration statement or other document filed under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Exchange Act, except as otherwise stated in such filing.

Section 9 - Financial Statements and Exhibits

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits. The following exhibit is being furnished herewith:

99.1 Press Release Dated April 25, 2008.

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.

Date: April 25, 2008

JOHNSON OUTDOORS INC.

BY <u>/s/ David W. Johnson</u> David W. Johnson, Vice President and Chief Financial Officer Exhibit Index to Current Report on Form 8-K

Exhibit <u>Number</u>

99.1 Press Release Dated April 25, 2008.

At Johnson Outdoors Inc. David Johnson VP & Chief Financial Officer 262-631-6600

Cynthia Georgeson VP - Worldwide Communication 262-631-6600

JOHNSON OUTDOORS INC. ANNOUNCES FISCAL 2008 SECOND QUARTER RESULTS

RACINE, WISCONSIN, April 25, 2008.....Johnson Outdoors Inc. (Nasdaq: JOUT), a leading global outdoor recreation company, today announced net sales of \$121.8 million for the second quarter ended March 28, 2008 compared to net sales of \$122.0 million for the prior year second quarter. Earnings from continuing operations of \$0.8 million, or \$0.09 per diluted share for the second quarter of 2008, compared unfavorably to earnings from continuing operations of \$2.1 million, or \$0.23 per diluted share, in the prior year quarter.

SECOND QUARTER RESULTS

Second quarter sales reflect initial shipments to customers in anticipation of the primary retail selling period for the Company's seasonal outdoor products. Total Company net sales in the quarter were flat with the prior year period, benefiting from higher exports in Marine Electronics, growth in Watercraft and Diving, foreign currency translation increase of 2.2 percent and acquisitions. The expected slowing of military sales accounted largely for the unfavorable year-over-year comparison in Outdoor Equipment. Key changes included:

- § Marine Electronics revenues were 4.6 percent behind last year due to a soft domestic boat market. GEONAV®, acquired in November 2007, added \$4.5 million of revenue in the quarter.
- § Watercraft sales increased 5.1 percent over the prior year quarter due primarily to growth in paddle sport accessories.
- § Diving revenues rose 20.3 percent above last year's second quarter due to growth in key international markets. Seemann®, acquired in April 2007, added \$2.1 million to quarterly sales and favorable currency translation added \$1.7 million.
- § Outdoor Equipment revenues compared unfavorably to last year's second quarter due to the expected slowdown of military sales. In addition, revenue gains in Consumer were unable to offset lower Commercial sales.

Total Company operating profit for the second quarter was \$3.6 million compared to an operating profit of \$4.6 million in the prior year quarter. Key drivers behind the unfavorable comparison were:

- § Lower margins in Marine Electronics driven by lower domestic sales, unfavorable product and geographic mix and integration costs associated with the GEONAV acquisition.
- § Lower military sales.
- § Strategic charges of \$0.6 million related to Global Diving restructuring.

The Company reported income from continuing operations of \$0.8 million, or \$0.09 per diluted share, compared to income from continuing operations of \$2.1 million, or \$0.23 per diluted share, in the same quarter last year. Income was negatively impacted by a \$1.6 million pre-tax foreign exchange loss related to GAAP treatment of U.S. dollar holdings in Switzerland where the Swiss franc strengthened significantly during the quarter. Loss from discontinued operations of \$0.3 million, or (\$0.04) per diluted share, was consistent with the prior year quarter. Net income for the quarter was \$0.5 million, or \$0.05 per diluted share, compared to net income of \$1.7 million, or \$0.19 per diluted share in the prior year.

"Economic uncertainty in the U.S. is starting to have an effect on outdoor retailers, which are keeping inventory levels below last year until they can gauge consumer demand at shelf in the next few months. On the other hand, international sales continue to grow and orders among U.S. specialty retailers are solid," said Helen Johnson-Leipold, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer. "In addition to ongoing cost-savings initiatives, we have instituted strict company-wide cost-control measures and are working hard to manage inventory levels down in the face of a soft marketplace. At the same time, we will continue to protect the future by investing wisely and appropriately in innovation."

YEAR TO DATE RESULTS

Net sales in the first six months of fiscal 2008 were \$197.8 million versus \$193.4 million in the same six-month period last year, an increase of 2.3 percent. Excluding the anticipated \$6.5 million decline in military sales, total Company net sales would have increased 5.8 percent. Key drivers in the year-to-date period were:

- § Successful new product launches in Watercraft and Diving.
- § Growth in key international markets in Marine Electronics and Diving.
- § Lower military sales.
- § Lower domestic sales in Marine Electronics due to a soft boat market.

Total Company operating loss was \$0.9 million during the first six months of fiscal 2008 compared to an operating profit of \$2.4 million during the prior year-to-date period. Loss from continuing operations for the first six months of the year was \$2.8 million, or (\$0.31) per diluted share, versus income from continuing operations of \$0.8 million, or \$0.08 per diluted share, in the first six months of the prior year. Primary drivers behind the year-to-date comparison were:

- § Reduced margins in Marine Electronics due to product and geographic mix and integration costs.
- § The significant drop in military sales versus the prior year six-month period.
- § Global Diving restructuring.
- § Negative impact of foreign currency holdings.

OTHER FINANCIAL INFORMATION

The Company's debt to total capitalization stood at 36 percent at the end of the current quarter versus 33 percent at this time last year. Debt, net of cash, was \$87.3 million compared to \$56.1 million at the end of the prior year quarter. Depreciation and amortization was \$4.9 million year-to-date compared with \$4.6 million in the prior year period. Capital spending totaled \$5.3 million year to date compared with \$5.7 million in the same period last year. The Company entered into a new \$60 million credit facility during the quarter. Additional information on the new loan agreement can be found in the Company's Form 8-K filing with the Securities and Exchange Commission dated February 19, 2008.

According to David W. Johnson Vice President and Chief Financial Officer, "Performance in Europe and other key international markets is strong, and our brands appear to be gaining market share against the competition everywhere, including the U.S. We have tightened our belts, revised production schedules and are working with vendors to help minimize the impact of a slowing domestic economy."

AWARDS UPDATE

Johnson Outdoors was named one of the top three "best places to work" among large companies by *OUTSIDE* magazine. The program sought to honor those companies that helped employees balance productivity with an active, eco-conscious lifestyle. *SPORT DIVER* magazine also awarded the new UWATEC[®] Galileo[™] Sol dive computer with its 2008 Editor's Pick honor. The Galileo is now the most successful dive computer launch in the Company's history.

WEBCAST

The Company will host a conference call and audio web cast at 11:00 a.m. Eastern Time on Friday April 25, 2008. A live listen-only web cast of the conference call may be accessed at Johnson Outdoors' home page. A replay will be available on Johnson Outdoors' home page, or by dialing (888) 286-8010 or (617) 801-6888 and providing confirmation code 79552889. The replay will be available through May 2, 2008 by phone and for 30 days on the Internet.

ABOUT JOHNSON OUTDOORS INC.

JOHNSON OUTDOORS is a leading global outdoor recreation company that turns ideas into adventure with innovative, top-quality products. The company designs, manufactures and markets a portfolio of winning, consumer-preferred brands across four categories: Watercraft, Marine Electronics, Diving and Outdoor Equipment. Johnson Outdoors' familiar brands include, among others: Old Town® canoes and kayaks; Ocean Kayak[™] and Necky® kayaks; Lendal® paddles; Carlisle® and Extrasport® paddling accessories; Minn Kota® motors; Cannon® downriggers; Humminbird® fishfinders; GEONAV® chartplotters; SCUBAPRO® UWATEC® and Seemann® dive equipment; Silva® compasses; Tech⁴O® digital instruments; and Eureka!® tents.

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SAFE HARBOR STATEMENT

Certain matters discussed in this press release are "forward-looking statements," intended to qualify for the safe harbors from liability established by the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Statements other than statements of historical fact are considered forward-looking statements. Such forward-looking statements are subject to certain risks and uncertainties, which could cause actual results or outcomes to differ materially from those currently anticipated. Factors that could affect actual results or outcomes include changes in consumer spending patterns; the Company's success in implementing its strategic plan, including its focus on innovation; actions of and disputes with companies that compete with the Company; the Company's success in managing inventory; movements in foreign currencies or interest rates; the Company's success in restructuring of its European Diving operations; unanticipated issues related to the Company's military sales; the success of suppliers and customers; the ability of the Company to deploy its capital successfully; adverse weather conditions; and other risks and uncertainties identified in the Company's filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission. Shareholders, potential investors and other readers are urged to consider these factors in evaluating the forward-looking statements and are cautioned not to place undue reliance on such forward-looking statements. The forward-looking statements included herein are only made as of the date of this press release and the Company undertakes no obligation to publicly update such forward-looking statements to reflect subsequent events or circumstances.

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---- FINANCIAL TABLES FOLLOW ----

JOHNSON OUTDOORS INC.

(thousands, except per share amounts)

Operating Results	THREE MONTHS ENDED				SIX MONTHS ENDED				
	March 28		March 30		March 28		March 30		
	2008		2007		2008		2007		
Net sales	\$ 121,813	\$	121,972	\$	197,780	\$	193,399		
Cost of sales	75,007		74,815		121,685		117,721		
Gross profit	46,806		47,157		76,095		75,678		
Operating expenses	43,159		42,549		77,029		73,302		
Operating profit (loss)	3,647		4,608		(934)		2,376		
Interest expense, net	1,278		1,344		2,070		2,197		
Other (income) expense, net	1,306		(131)		1,360		(130)		
Income (loss) before income taxes	1,063		3,395		(4,364)		309		
Income tax expense (benefit)	281		1,314		(1,522)		(460)		
Income (loss) from continuing operations	782		2,081		(2,842)		769		
Loss from discontinued operations, net of income tax benefit	(320)		(338)		(1,386)		(595)		
Net income (loss)	\$ 462	\$	1,743	\$	(4,228)	\$	174		
Income (loss) from continuing operations per common share – Basic:									
Class A	\$ 0.09	\$	0.23	\$	(0.31)	\$	0.09		
Class B	\$ 0.09	\$	0.21	\$	(0.31)	\$	0.08		
Loss from discontinued operations per common share – Basic:									
Class A	\$ (0.04)	\$	(0.04)	\$	(0.15)	\$	(0.07)		
Class B	\$ (0.04)	\$	(0.03)	\$	(0.15)	\$	(0.06)		
Net income (loss) per common share – Basic:									
Class A	\$ 0.05	\$	0.19	\$	(0.46)	\$	0.02		
Class B	\$ 0.05	\$	0.18	\$	(0.46)	\$	0.02		
Income (loss) from continuing operations per common Class A and B share – Dilutive	\$ 0.09	\$	0.23	\$	(0.31)	\$	0.08		
Loss from discontinued operations per common Class A and B share – Dilutive	\$ (0.04)	\$	(0.04)	\$	(0.15)	\$	(0.06)		
Net income (loss) per common Class A and B share – Dilutive	\$ 0.05	\$	0.19	\$	(0.46)	\$	0.02		
Weighted average common – Basic:									
Class A	7,856,666		7,810,086		7,855,261		7,798,863		
Class B	1,217,342		1,217,977		1,217,376		1,217,977		
Dilutive stock options and restricted stock	179,509		153,231		182,860		159,830		
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Weighted average common – Dilutive	9,253,517		9,181,294		9,255,497		9,176,670		

Segment Results

Net sales:							
Marine electronics	\$ 61,544	\$	64,538	\$	94,807	\$	94,004
Outdoor equipment	13,244		15,584		21,228		29,274
Watercraft	23,730		22,578		37,184		34,045
Diving	23,491		19,530		45,022		36,449
Other/eliminations	(196)		(258)		(461)		(373)
Total	\$ 121,813	\$	121,972	\$	197,780	\$	193,399
Operating profit (loss):							
Marine electronics	\$ 5,483	\$	8,804	\$	5,746	\$	9,008
Outdoor equipment	754		1,232		372		2,875
Watercraft	(230)		36		(2,343)		(1,949)
Diving	575		125		1,135		755
Other/eliminations	(2,935)		(5,589)		(5,844)		(8,313)
Total	\$ 3,647	\$	4,608	\$	(934)	\$	2,376
Balance Sheet Information (End of Period)							
Cash and short-term investments				\$	27,662	\$	36,738
Accounts receivable, net					120,168		111,533
Inventories, net					115,126		92,568
Total current assets					286,966		262,971
Total assets					412,154		365,710
Short-term debt					55,001		82,801
Total current liabilities					127,871		161,736
Long-term debt					60,004		10,005
Shareholders' equity					203,748		185,180