SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D. C. 20549

FORM 10-Q

Quarterly Report Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of

the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

For Quarter Ended May 1, 2004

Commission file number 001-13143

BJ S WHOLESALE CLUB, INC.

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

DELAWARE (State or other jurisdiction of

incorporation or organization)

One Mercer Road

Natick, Massachusetts (Address of principal executive offices) 04-3360747 (I.R.S. Employer

Identification No.)

01760 (Zip Code)

(508) 651-7400

(Registrant s telephone number, including area code)

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 $\ddot{}$.

Indicate by check mark whether the Registrant is an accelerated filer (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act). Yes x No ".

The number of shares of the Registrant s common stock outstanding as of May 29, 2004: 69,516,029

PART I. FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Item 1. Financial Statements

BJ S WHOLESALE CLUB, INC.

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME

(Unaudited)

		Thirteen Weeks Ended			
		May 1,		May 3,	
	2004		2003		
	(Dolla	ars in Thousands ex	cept Per S	hare Amounts)	
Net sales	\$	1,610,958	\$	1,437,549	
Membership fees and other		36,666		33,572	
Total revenues		1,647,624		1,471,121	
Cost of sales, including buying and occupancy costs		1,497,600		1,333,423	
Selling, general and administrative expenses		123,200		113,916	
Preopening expenses		219		3,989	
Operating income		26,605		19,793	
Interest expense, net		(111)		(68)	
Gain (loss) on contingent lease obligations		(73)		814	
Income from continuing operations before income taxes and cumulative effect of accounting					
principle changes		26,421		20,539	
Provision for income taxes		10,171		7,870	
Income from continuing operations before cumulative effect of accounting principle					
changes		16,250		12,669	
Loss from discontinued operations, net of income tax benefit of \$88 and \$99		(132)		(149)	
Income before cumulative effect of accounting principle changes		16,118		12,520	
Cumulative effect of accounting principle changes				(1,253)	
Net income	\$	16,118	\$	11,267	
Basic and diluted earnings per common share:					
Income from continuing operations before cumulative effect of accounting principle changes	\$	0.23	\$	0.18	
Loss from discontinued operations					
Cumulative effect of accounting principle changes				(0.02)	
Net income	\$	0.23	\$	0.16	

Number of common shares for earnings per share computations:				
Basic	69,809,300 69			69,288,640
Diluted	70,362,007		69,396,765	
Pro forma amounts assuming accounting principle changes are applied retroactively:				
Net income	\$	16,118	\$	12,520
Basic and diluted earnings per common share	\$	0.23	\$	0.18

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the financial statements.

BJ S WHOLESALE CLUB, INC.

CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

	May 1, 2004	January 31, 2004	May 3, 2003
	(Unaudited)		(Unaudited)
ASSETS		(Dollars in Thousands	S)
Current assets:			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 75,954	\$ 78,720	\$ 42,100
Accounts receivable	63,332	78,672	57,100
Merchandise inventories	707,651	709,362	659,046
Current deferred income taxes			
	18,998	19,326	19,280
Prepaid expenses	19,465	22,640	17,253
Total current assets	885,400	908,720	794,779
Property at cost:	541 107	520.005	400 450
Land and buildings	541,127	539,885	498,452
Leasehold costs and improvements	121,900	121,128	105,428
Furniture, fixtures and equipment	490,818	479,444	432,892
	1,153,845	1,140,457	1,036,772
Less: accumulated depreciation and amortization	375,500	351,153	316,072
	778,345	789,304	720,700
Other assets	23,016	23,085	23,292
Total assets	\$ 1,686,761	\$ 1,721,109	\$ 1,538,771
LIABILITIES			
Current liabilities:			
	\$	¢	\$ 40.000
Short-term debt		\$	\$ 40,000
Current installments of long-term debt	407	400	442 270
Accounts payable	488,944 184,473	506,988	442,279
Accrued expenses and other current liabilities Accrued federal and state income taxes	- ,	205,669	168,912
	30,462	37,928	21,657
Closed store lease obligations due within one year	8,428	10,448	21,214
Total current liabilities	712,714	761,433	694,062
Long-term debt, less portion due within one year	3,521	3,625	
Noncurrent closed store lease obligations	11,055	11,463	21,663
Other noncurrent liabilities	61,468	58,199	52,894
Deferred income taxes	35,429	34,168	18,008
Commitments and contingencies			
STOCKHOLDERS EQUITY			
Preferred stock, par value \$.01, authorized 20,000,000 shares, no shares issued			
Common stock, par value \$.01, authorized 180,000,000 shares, issued 74,410,190 shares	744	744	744
Additional paid-in capital	51,039	52,683	62,008
Retained earnings	980,651	964,533	872,959
Treasury stock, at cost, 4,830,655, 4,620,587 and 5,117,583 shares	(169,860)	(165,739)	(183,567)

Total stockholders equity	862,574	852,221	752,144
Total liabilities and stockholders equity	\$ 1,686,761	\$ 1,721,109	\$ 1,538,771

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BJ S WHOLESALE CLUB, INC.

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

(Unaudited)

	Thirteen W	Thirteen Weeks Ended	
	May 1,	May 3, 2003	
	2004		
	(Dollars in '	Thousands)	
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES			
Net income	\$ 16,118	\$ 11,267	
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities:			
(Gain) loss on contingent lease obligations	73	(814)	
Provision for store closing costs	220	248	
Cumulative effect of accounting principle changes	24.412	1,253	
Depreciation and amortization of property	24,413	20,256	
Loss on property disposals	20	194	
Other noncash items (net)	245	216	
Deferred income taxes	1,589	6,803	
Tax benefit from exercise of stock options	217		
Increase (decrease) in cash due to changes in:		< 0.00	
Accounts receivable	15,340	6,029	
Merchandise inventories	1,711	(27,511)	
Prepaid expenses	3,175	1,773	
Other assets	9	(492)	
Accounts payable	(12,058)	19,968	
Accrued expenses	(4,607)	2,018	
Accrued income taxes	(7,466)	(3,311)	
Closed store lease obligations	(2,728)	(14,890)	
Other noncurrent liabilities	3,111	207	
Net cash provided by operating activities	39,382	23,214	
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES		(** * (**)	
Property additions	(30,446)	(55,636)	
Proceeds from property disposals	390	15	
Net cash used in investing activities	(30,056)	(55,621)	
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES			
Borrowing of short-term debt, net		40,000	
Repayment of long-term debt	(97)		
Proceeds from issuance of common stock	1,951	51	
Purchase of treasury stock	(7,960)		
Changes in book overdrafts	(5,986)	1,773	
Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities	(12,092)	41,824	
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Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	(2,766)	9,417	
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year	78,720	32,683	

Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	\$ 75,954	\$ 42,100
Noncash financing and investing activities:		
Treasury stock issued for compensation plans	\$	