

MEREDITH CORP  
Form 8-K  
January 28, 2003

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UNITED STATES  
**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**  
Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported)      January 28, 2003  
Commission file number      1-5128

**MEREDITH CORPORATION**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

IOWA      42-0410230  
(State or other jurisdiction of      (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)  
incorporation or organization)

1716 Locust Street, Des Moines, Iowa      50309-3023  
(Address of principal executive offices)      (Zip Code)  
Registrant's telephone number, including area code:      515-284-3000

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Item 5.      Other Events

On January 28, 2003, Meredith Corporation issued a news release reporting earnings for the second fiscal quarter and six-months ended December 31, 2002. That news release and the related conference call script are attached as exhibits.

Item 7. Financial Statements and Exhibits

(c) Exhibits

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| 99.2 | Conference call script of conversation with analysts on January 28, 2003 concerning news release of the same date.                                      |
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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, thereunto duly authorized.

MEREDITH CORPORATION

Registrant

/s/ Suku V. Radia

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Suku V. Radia

Vice President - Chief Financial Officer

(Principal Financial and Accounting Officer)

Date: January 28, 2003

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