

MEREDITH CORP  
Form 8-K  
October 31, 2002

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)      October 30, 2002  
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 October 30, 2002, Meredith Corporation issued a news release reporting earnings for the first fiscal quarter ended September 30, 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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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: October 30, 2002

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