

CHECKERS DRIVE IN RESTAURANTS INC /DE

Form 8-K

July 09, 2003

FORM 8-K

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

Current Report Pursuant  
to Section 13 or 15(d) of the  
Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported)  
July 8, 2003

CHECKERS DRIVE-IN RESTAURANTS, INC.  
(Exact name of registrant as specified in charter)

DELAWARE 0-19649  
58-1654960  
(State or other (Commission (IRS  
Employer  
jurisdiction of File Number)  
Identification No.)

4300 WEST CYPRESS STREET, SUITE 600, TAMPA FLORIDA  
33607  
(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip  
Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code  
(813) 283-7000

Former name or former address (if changed since  
last report)  
NOT APPLICABLE

Item 9. REGULATION FD DISCLOSURE.

On July 8, 2003, the Registrant issued a news  
release entitled  
"Checkers(R) /Rallys(R) Launches National Speed to Succeed Incentive Program  
Company and Franchise Managers Compete for Cars, Computers and  
Consumer Electronics," and a copy  
is being  
filed herewith as Exhibit 99.1.

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.

CHECKERS DRIVE-IN RESTAURANTS, INC.

By: /s/David Koehler

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Name: David Koehler  
Title: Vice President and Chief Financial Officer  
Dated: July 8, 2003

EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit Number Description

99.1 Press Release, dated July 8, 2003

Exhibit 99.1

CHECKERS DRIVE-IN RESTAURANTS, INC.

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Checkers(R) /Rallys(R) Launches National Speed to Succeed Incentive Program  
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Consumer Electronics

TAMPA, FL July 8, 2003 Checkers Drive-In Restaurants, Inc. (NASDAQ: CHKR),  
the nations largest double drive-thru chain, today announced its  
Speed to Succeed Incentive Program  
that rewards Checkers(R)/Rallys(R) top-performing General Managers with  
a variety of prizes, including 2003 Ford(R) Mustangs(R). This new  
incentive program runs monthly through April 2004.

Its no secret that in our business the General Manager is the key  
individual who ensures that the Checkers and Rallys core business principles  
are executed properly every day, said Adam Noyes,  
Vice President of Company Operations and Purchasing,  
Checkers Drive-In Restaurants, Inc. Our Speed to Succeed incentive  
program recognizes our successful General Managers each  
and every month. This program plays a key role in our pursuit for  
excellence at the restaurant unit level this year and assists us in  
our continued effort to further improve manager retention.

Once a month, Checkers/Rallys rewards one top-performing General  
Manager with a custom Ford Mustang when the Surprise Patrol makes  
a visit to the winning managers restaurant. Additionally,  
ten managers throughout the system can win consumer electronic prizes  
from Circuit City(R), including home computers, color  
televisions, stereo electronics and more. The Speed to Succeed program  
also offers assistant managers, shift supervisors  
and crewmembers the opportunity to win great prizes, including  
Circuit City Gift Cards.

This program resonates throughout our entire system both Company  
and franchised stores, added Ron Levondosky, Vice President of Franchise.  
There is nothing more exciting than to be  
part of the Surprise Patrol when a new car is awarded  
to a franchise General Manager.

It makes me proud to be a part of this

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winning organization. This is one of the many national programs that excite our franchisees and motivates them to succeed.

Checkers/Rallys tradition of rewarding their employees with out-of-this-world incentives, such as new cars, cruises, vacations and cash, among other great gifts, demonstrates Checkers/Rallys appreciation and recognition of its employees and their hard work.

Checkers Drive-In Restaurants, Inc.

Checkers Drive-In Restaurants, Inc. ([www.checkers.com](http://www.checkers.com)) is the largest double drive-thru restaurant chain in the United States. The Company develops, produces, owns, operates and franchises quick service double drive- thru restaurants.

Except for historical information, this announcement contains forward-looking and Safe Harbor statements within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended and the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995.

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