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August 05, 2003

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): August 5, 2003

AmREIT
(Exact Name of Registrant as specified in its Governing Instrument)

TEXAS	0-28378	76-0410050
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)	(Commission file number)	(I.R.S. Employer Identification Number)

Eight Greenway Plaza, Suite 824, Houston, Texas 77046
(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (713) 850-1400

Not applicable
(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

Item 7. Financial Statements, Pro Forma Financial Information and Exhibits.

(c) Exhibits.

99.1 Press release dated August 5, 2003.

Item 12. Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

On August 5, 2003, AmREIT (the "Company") issued a press release announcing its consolidated financial results for the quarter ended June 30, 2003. A copy of the press release is furnished as Exhibit 99.1 to this report. This information shall not be deemed "filed" for purposes of Section 18 of the

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Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and is not incorporated by reference into any filing of the Company, whether made before or after the date hereof, regardless of any general incorporation language in such filing.

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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: August 5, 2003

Amreit, Inc.

By: /s/ Chad C. Braun

Chad C. Braun
Chief Financial Officer
Executive Vice President

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AMREIT ANNOUNCES SECOND QUARTER OPERATING RESULTS

HOUSTON, TX (August 5, 2003) - AmREIT (AMEX: AMY), a Texas-based real estate investment trust announced that its net income available to its class A shareholders ("EPS") for the second quarter 2003 was \$0.075 per class A share, compared to \$0.110 per share for the same period in 2002. AmREIT's EPS for the six months ended June 30, 2003 was \$0.077 compared to \$0.188 for the same period in 2002. Funds from operations ("FFO") for the second quarter of 2003 totaled \$0.153 per class A share, compared with \$0.164 for the same period in 2002. AmREIT's FFO for the six months ended June 30, 2003 was \$0.236 compared to \$0.295 for the same period in 2002. A reconciliation of net income to FFO is included in the financial tables accompanying this press release.

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AmREIT closed on approximately \$7.2 million in property acquisitions during the second quarter and owns a portfolio of 50 single-tenant and multi-tenant commercial retail properties, located in 20 states, with an economic occupancy of 98.4% during the second quarter. AmREIT broke ground on its Eckerd development in the Houston Galleria/Uptown area, has contracted to purchase a TGI Friday's restaurant in Hanover, Maryland and has contracted to purchase a 16,395 square foot multi-tenant shopping center in Houston, Texas. The first significant contribution to earnings from these acquisitions/developments will take place in the first quarter 2004.

Management expects EPS for the third quarter of 2003 of between \$0.08 and \$0.09 and for the calendar year 2003 of between \$0.23 and \$0.25 per share, and adjusted FFO for the third quarter of 2003 of between \$0.16 and \$0.17 and for the calendar year of 2003 of between \$0.54 and \$0.56. This represents an increase in adjusted FFO of over 20% when compared to adjusted FFO of \$0.42 per share for 2002. AmREIT updates earnings guidance on a quarterly basis.

AmREIT is an American Stock Exchange listed real estate investment trust operating in two distinct lines of business. The Investment Sponsorship division is a sponsor of high quality real estate investment opportunities to the independent financial planning community. The Company researches, identifies and participates in quality real estate opportunities and works hand in hand with the broker-dealer financial services community to sponsor real estate investment products and services. AmREIT's real estate team focuses on the development, management, brokerage and ownership of freestanding credit-tenant leased and multi-tenant shopping centers located contiguous to major thoroughfares and traffic generators. AmREIT projects have been leased to parent companies such as Goodyear Tire, Washington Mutual, IHOP, McDonalds, Memorial Herman Hospital, RadioShack, Sprint, Coldwell Banker, Jack in the Box, Guaranty Federal, Bennigan's, Chili's, Texas Children's Hospital, and Discount Tire.

In addition to historical statements included in this press release, certain statements are included that state the Company's or management's intentions, hopes, beliefs, expectations or predictions of the future and are considered "forward looking" statements within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995, which by their nature, involve known and unknown risks and uncertainties. The Company's actual results, performance, or achievements could differ materially from those expressed as implied by such statements. Reference is made to the Company's regulatory filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission for information or factors, which may impact the Company's performance.

For further information, contact AmREIT's Investor Relations Department at 800-888-4400 or 713-850-1400, or access our web site at www.amreit.com.

Operating Results
(Unaudited)

Three Months Ended

Six Months Ended

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Revenues:	June 30, 2003 ----	2002 -----	June 30, 2003 ----	
Rental income from operating leases	\$ 1,265,235	\$ 677,614	\$ 2,497,975	\$
Earned income from direct financing leases	670,608	437,169	1,269,328	
Service fee income	848,863	52,378	1,059,860	
Management fees	52,616	94,276	110,247	
Income from non-consolidated Affiliates	45,033	1,467	85,338	
Interest and other income	1,991	208,303	3,830	
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Total Revenues	2,884,346	1,471,207	5,026,578	
 Expenses:				
General operating and administrative	785,090	439,962	1,542,219	
Legal and professional	545,942	161,998	732,676	
Interest	593,905	410,032	1,145,346	
Depreciation and amortization	209,404	126,822	431,707	
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Total Expenses	2,134,341	1,138,814	3,851,948	
 Income before federal income taxes and minority interest in income of consolidated joint ventures				
	750,005	332,393	1,174,630	
Federal income tax (expense) benefit for taxable REIT subsidiary	(57,700)	69,000	15,300	
Minority interest in income of consolidated joint venture	(43,161)	(140,100)	(82,949)	
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Net income	649,144	261,293	1,106,981	
Distributions paid to class B shareholders	(439,124)	-	(891,667)	
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Net income available to class A shareholders	\$ 210,020	\$ 261,293	\$ 215,314	\$
 Funds From Operations ("FFO"):				
Net income	\$ 649,144	\$ 261,293	\$ 1,106,981	\$
Depreciation	228,053	126,822	462,689	
Class B distributions	(439,124)	-	(891,667)	
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FFO available to class A Shares	\$ 438,073	\$ 388,115	\$ 678,003	\$

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Basic Per Share Data:

Net income available to class A shareholders	\$ 0.075	\$ 0.110	\$ 0.077	\$
FFO - Basic	0.157	0.164	0.244	
Distributions per Class A share	0.111	0.071	0.222	
Distributions per Class B share	0.209	-	0.392	
Weighted average number of class A common shares outstanding	2,790,492	2,364,807	2,779,434	2,
Weighted average number of class B common shares outstanding	2,100,638	-	2,273,849	

Balance Sheet Highlights
(Unaudited)

	As of June 30,	
	2003	2002
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Total property, net	\$ 50,033,640	\$ 28,833,640
Net investment in direct financing leases	27,155,700	16,893,700
Total assets	80,440,990	48,366,340
Notes payable	40,996,381	26,423,381
Total liabilities	42,152,009	27,066,762
Minority interest	800,570	5,653,570
Total shareholders' equity	37,488,411	15,656,008

Non-GAAP Financial Disclosure
(Unaudited)

This press release contains certain non-GAAP financial measures that management believes are useful in evaluating an equity REIT's performance. AmREIT's definitions and calculations of non-GAAP financial measures may differ from those used by other equity REIT's, and therefore may not be comparable. The non-GAAP financial measures should not be considered as an alternative to net income as an indication of our operating results, or to net cash provided by operating activities as a measure of our liquidity.

AmREIT considers FFO to be an appropriate measure of performance of an equity REIT. The National Association of Real Estate Investment Trusts ("NAREIT")

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defines FFO as net income computed in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles ("GAAP"), excluding gains or losses from sales of property, plus real estate depreciation and amortization, and after adjustments for unconsolidated partnerships and joint ventures. AmREIT further adjusts FFO by adding back non-cash charges to earnings related to the issuance of stock in conjunction with the payment of deferred merger costs, resulting in its adjusted FFO. The Company considers FFO to be an appropriate supplemental measure of operating performance because, by excluding gains or losses on dispositions and excluding depreciation, FFO is a helpful tool that can assist in the comparison of the operating performance of a company's real estate between periods, or as compared to different companies. FFO is not defined by GAAP and should not be considered as an alternative to net income as an indication of our operating performance or to net cash provided by operating activities as a measure of our liquidity. FFO and adjusted FFO as disclosed by other REITs may not be comparable to AmREIT's calculation.

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Projected FFO is calculated in a method consistent with historical FFO, and AmREIT considers projected FFO to be an appropriate supplemental measure when compared with projected EPS. A reconciliation of the projected FFO to projected EPS per share is provided below:

	3Q2003 Range		2003
	Low	High	Low
Projected net income available to class A shareholders	\$ 0.080	\$ 0.090	\$ 0.230
Projected depreciation and amortization	0.077	0.077	0.310
Projected FFO	\$ 0.157	\$ 0.167	\$ 0.540

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