

DARLING INTERNATIONAL INC  
Form 8-K  
September 23, 2003

**UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**  
Washington, DC 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): **September 23, 2003**

**DARLING INTERNATIONAL INC.**  
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Commission File Number 000-24620

**DELAWARE**  
(State or other jurisdiction  
of incorporation)

**36-2495346**  
(I.R.S. Employer  
Identification No.)

**251 O'CONNOR RIDGE BLVD., SUITE 300, IRVING, TEXAS 75038**  
(Address of principal executive offices)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: **972. 717.0300**

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**Item 5. Other Events.**

On September 23, 2003, Darling International Inc. announced that the review of strategic alternatives to enhance shareholder value and liquidity, initiated on May 28, 2003, has been concluded. A copy of the press release announcing the foregoing and the results of the review is attached to this current report as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated by reference herein.

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**Item 7. Financial Statements, ProForma Financial Information and Exhibits.**

(c) Exhibits

99.1 Press Release dated September 23, 2003.

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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 hereunto duly authorized.

DARLING INTERNATIONAL INC.

Date: September 23, 2003

By: /s/ John O. Muse  
John O. Muse  
Executive Vice President  
Finance and Administration

