

CENTRAL GARDEN & PET COMPANY  
Form 8-K  
April 02, 2004

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# SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

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## FORM 8-K

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### CURRENT REPORT

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

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported) March 31, 2004

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## Central Garden & Pet Company

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

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Delaware  
(State or other jurisdiction

0-20242  
(Commission File Number)

68-0275553  
(IRS Employer

of incorporation)

Identification No.)

3697 Mt. Diablo Boulevard, Lafayette, California  
(Address of principal executive offices)

94549  
(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code (925) 283-4573

**Inapplicable**

**(Former name or former address if changed since last report)**

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**Item 5. Other Events**

On March 31, 2004, Central Garden & Pet Company issued a press release announcing it has agreed to acquire substantially all of the assets of Interpet Limited, a division of Lawrence PLC. A copy of the press release is filed as Exhibit 99.1 hereto.

**Item 7. Financial Statement and Exhibits**

(a) Not applicable

(b) Not applicable

(c) Exhibits

| <u>Number</u> | <u>Exhibit</u>                      |
|---------------|-------------------------------------|
| 99.1          | Press Release dated March 31, 2004. |

**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.

CENTRAL GARDEN & PET COMPANY

By: /s/ Stuart W. Booth

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Stuart W. Booth  
Vice President, Chief Financial Officer and  
Secretary

Dated: April 2, 2004