

HIBBETT SPORTS INC  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
NEWSOME MICHAEL J

(Last) (First) (Middle)

451 INDUSTRIAL LANE

(Street)

BIRMINGHAM, AL 35211

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
HIBBETT SPORTS INC [HIBB]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
03/17/2012

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
Executive Chairman

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
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**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(D)	Price
Common stock, par value \$.01 per share <sup>(1)</sup>	03/17/2012		M		15,000	A	\$ 0 (2)
Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share	03/17/2012		F		4,868	D	\$ 0

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**Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**  
(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Amount or Number of Shares
Restricted Stock Unit <sup>(1)</sup>	\$ 0 <sup>(2)</sup>	03/17/2012		M	15,000	<sup>(1)</sup> / <sup>(1)</sup>	Common Stock	15,000

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
NEWSOME MICHAEL J 451 INDUSTRIAL LANE BIRMINGHAM, AL 35211	X		Executive Chairman	

## Signatures

/s/ Michael J Newsome 03/20/2012

<sup>(1)</sup>Signature of Reporting Person Date

## Explanation of Responses:

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
- \*\* Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).  
Performance-based RSU award under Amended 2005 Equity Incentive Plan. Three year cliff vest from date of grant upon achievement of
- (1) performance criteria. Grant date 3/17/2009; vest date 3/17/2012; performance certified achieved by the Compensation Committee on 3/8/2012. No expiration date as service and performance criteria have been achieved.
- (2) Each RSU is the economic equivalent of one share of company common stock. The reporting person has settled the RSUs for stock.

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