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SCHEDULE 14A  
(Rule 14a-101)

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SCHEDULE 14A INFORMATION

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NAUTICA ENTERPRISES, INC.  
(Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)  
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BARINGTON COMPANIES EQUITY PARTNERS, L.P.,  
JEWELCOR MANAGEMENT, INC., RCG AMBROSE  
MASTER FUND, LTD. and RAMIUS SECURITIES, LLC  
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In connection with the 2003 annual meeting of stockholders of Nautica Enterprises, Inc., the Barington Companies group will now be soliciting proxies to elect two nominees to Nautica's board of directors, William J. Fox and James A. Mitarotonda, and to re-elect all of Nautica's incumbent directors other than Charles H. Scherer and John Varvatos. We believe this is consistent with the Company's recently announced goal to have two, new independent directors.