

COWLEY KEN

Form 4

April 01, 2005

**FORM 4****UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549**

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*See Instruction*  
1(b).

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF  
SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934,  
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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
COWLEY KEN

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O THE NEWS CORPORATION  
LIMITED, 1211 AVENUE OF THE  
AMERICAS

(Street)

NEW YORK, NY 10036

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading  
Symbol  
NEWS CORP [NWS]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
03/30/2005

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)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check  
Applicable Line)  
☒ Form filed by One Reporting Person  
☐ Form filed by More than One Reporting  
Person

**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 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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Class A Common Stock	03/30/2005		M	40,000	(A) or (D) \$ 9.58 (1)	65,717	D
Class A Common Stock	03/30/2005		M	3,000	\$ 12.18 (2)	68,717	D

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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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. L	9. S	10. (I
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 9.58 <sup>(1)</sup>	03/30/2005		M	40,000	<sup>(3)</sup>	08/19/2007	Class A Common Stock	40,000	
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 12.18 <sup>(2)</sup>	03/30/2005		M	3,000	<sup>(4)</sup>	10/07/2007	Class A Common Stock	3,000	

## Reporting Owners

### Reporting Owner Name / Address

### Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

COWLEY KEN  
C/O THE NEWS CORPORATION LIMITED  
1211 AVENUE OF THE AMERICAS  
NEW YORK, NY 10036

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## Signatures

/s/ Laura O'Leary as Attorney-in-Fact for Kenneth E.  
Cowley

04/01/2005

\_\_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).

(1) Reported in Australian dollars. The exercise price equivalent on the grant date was US\$7.06.

(2) Reported in Australian dollars. The exercise price equivalent on the grant date was US\$8.81.

(3) The option vested in four equal installments on August 19, 1998, 1999, 2000 and 2001.

(4) The option vested in four equal installments on October 7, 1998, 1999, 2000 and 2001.

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