

BROWN FORMAN CORP

Form 4

January 12, 2005

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

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may continue.  
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,  
Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section  
30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
BROWN W L LYONS JR

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading  
Symbol  
BROWN FORMAN CORP [BFA,  
BFB]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to  
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

850 DIXIE HIGHWAY

(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
01/11/2005

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_X\_\_ 10% Owner  
\_\_\_\_ Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)

LOUISVILLE, KY 40210

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check  
Applicable Line)  
\_X\_ 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 (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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Class A Common (1)	01/11/2005		J(2)	1,500 A \$ 0	422,712	D	
Class A Common					418,912	I	2002 LLC
Class A Common	01/11/2005		J(2)	1,500 D \$ 0	604,978	I	GRAT (Grantor trust)
Class A Common					3,444.6	I	Partnership/Nectar
Class A Common					438,008.6	I	Trust/Partnership

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Class A Common	2,036,694.6	I	Trust/Remainder
Class A Common	326,886	I	by Spouse
Class B Common	19,615	D	
Class B Common	3,300	I	Partnership/Hebe
Class B Common	924,017	I	Trust/Partnership
Class B Common	2,316,744.6	I	Trust/Remainder
Class B Common	26,898	I	by Spouse

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. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Own Follo Repor Trans (Instr
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
	Director 10% Owner Officer Other
BROWN W L LYONS JR 850 DIXIE HIGHWAY LOUISVILLE, KY 40210	X

## Signatures

Nelea A. Absher Attn. in Fact for: W.L. Lyons  
Brown, Jr.

01/12/2005

\_\_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) Filing this form should not be construed as an admission that the filing person is, for purposes of Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the "beneficial owner" of any equity securities held in a limited partnership or in trust and reported on this form.
- (2) Transfer of shares from an irrevocable annuity trust to direct ownership.

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