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Form SC 13D/A
April 22, 2003

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

SCHEDULE 13D

Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934*
(Amendment No. 3)

Liberty ALL*STAR Equity Fund
(Name of Issuer)

Shares of Beneficial Interest
(Title of Class of Securities)

530158104
(CUSIP Number)

COPY TO:

Christopher C. Mansfield, Esq.
Senior Vice President and General Counsel
Liberty Mutual Insurance Company
175 Berkeley Street
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(Name, Address and Telephone Number of Persons Authorized to Receive Notices and Communications)

April 14, 2003
(Dates of Events which Require Filing of this Statement)

If the filing person has previously filed a statement on Schedule 13G to report the acquisition which is the subject of this Schedule 13D, and is filing this schedule because of ss.ss.240.13d-1(e), 240.13d-1(f) or 240.13d-1(g) check the following box ☐

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*The remainder of this cover page shall be filled out for a reporting person's initial filing on this form with respect to the subject class of securities, and for any subsequent amendment containing information which would alter disclosures provided in a prior cover page.

The information required on the remainder of this cover page shall not be deemed to be "filed" for the purpose of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Act") or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section of the Act but shall be subject to all other provisions of the Act (however, see the Notes).

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1. NAME OF REPORTING PERSONS

S.S. OR I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NO. OF ABOVE PERSONS

Liberty Mutual Insurance Company, IRS Identification No. 04-1543470

2. CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP

(a) ☒

(b) ☐

3. SEC USE ONLY

4. SOURCE OF FUNDS

Filing pertains to sale of shares. Original source of funds for purchases was WC.

5. CHECK BOX IF DISCLOSURE OF LEGAL PROCEEDINGS IS REQUIRED PURSUANT TO
ITEM 2(d) or 2(e) ☐

6. CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

NUMBER OF
SHARES
BENEFICIALLY
OWNED BY
EACH
REPORTING
PERSON
WITH

7. SOLE VOTING POWER

5,673,970

8. SHARED VOTING POWER

0

9. SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER

5,673,970

10. SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER

0

11. AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON

5,673,970

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12. CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (11) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES

13. PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (11)

4.7%

14. TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON

IC

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SCHEDULE 13D

1. NAME OF REPORTING PERSONS

S.S. OR I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NO. OF ABOVE PERSONS

Liberty Mutual Fire Insurance Company, IRS Identification No. 04-1924000

2. CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP

(a) ☒

(b) ☐

3. SEC USE ONLY

4. SOURCE OF FUNDS

Filing pertains to sale of shares. Original source of funds for purchases was WC.

5. CHECK BOX IF DISCLOSURE OF LEGAL PROCEEDINGS IS REQUIRED PURSUANT TO
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N/A

6. CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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NUMBER OF
SHARES
BENEFICIALLY
OWNED BY
EACH
REPORTING
PERSON
WITH

7. SOLE VOTING POWER

770,126

8. SHARED VOTING POWER

0

9. SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER

770,126

10. SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER

0

11. AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON

770,126

12. CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (11) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES

13. PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (11)

0.6%

14. TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON

IC

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Item 1. Security and Issuer.

The class of equity security to which this statement relates is shares of Beneficial Interest of Liberty ALL-STAR Equity Fund (the "Issuer"), a Massachusetts business trust and closed-end investment company registered under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the "1940 Act"). The shares are listed on the New York Stock Exchange, the Midwest Stock Exchange, the Pacific Stock Exchange, the Philadelphia Stock Exchange and the Boston Stock Exchange.

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Item 2. Identity and Background.

This statement is being filed on behalf of the following persons:

Liberty Mutual Insurance Company ("Liberty Mutual"), a Massachusetts stock insurance company, 175 Berkeley Street, Boston, Massachusetts 02117. Liberty Mutual's principal business is property and casualty insurance.

Liberty Mutual Fire Insurance Company ("Liberty Fire"), a Massachusetts stock insurance company, 175 Berkeley Street, Boston, Massachusetts 02117. Liberty Fire's principal business is property and casualty insurance.

Liberty Mutual and Liberty Fire are affiliated by virtue of ownership by the same ultimate parent corporation, Liberty Mutual Holding Company Inc. Both Liberty Mutual and Liberty Fire are insurance companies as defined in section 3(a)(19) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the "1934 Act").

The Reporting Persons were affiliates of the Issuer and its investment adviser through the Reporting Persons' affiliation with Liberty Financial Companies, Inc. On November 1, 2001 Liberty Financial Companies, Inc. completed the sale of its assets management business to Fleet National Bank, which included the investment adviser to the Issuer. As a result of the sale, the Reporting Persons are no longer affiliates of the Issuer or its investment adviser.

In accordance with the provisions of General Instruction C to Schedule 13D, information concerning the directors, executive officers and controlling persons of Liberty Mutual and Liberty Fire, each of whom is a United States citizen, required by Item 2 of Schedule 13D is listed on Schedule A hereto and is incorporated by reference herein.

Within the last five years, neither Liberty Mutual nor Liberty Fire, nor to the best of their respective knowledge, any executive officer or director of Liberty Mutual or Liberty Fire, has been convicted in a criminal proceeding (excluding traffic violations or similar misdemeanors) or has been a party to a civil proceeding or a judicial or administrative body of competent jurisdiction and as a result of such proceeding was or is subject to a judgment, decree or final order prohibiting or mandating activities subject to, federal or state securities laws or finding any violation with respect to such laws.

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Item 3. Source and Amount of Funds or Other Consideration.

- a). Liberty Mutual - not applicable as this filing is due to open market sales of the shares (original source of funds for initial purchases was WC).
- b). Liberty Fire - not applicable as this filing is due to open market sales of the shares (original source of funds for initial purchases was WC).

Item 4. Purpose of Transaction.

On October 7, 1997, the Investment Committee of the Board of Directors of Liberty Mutual authorized open market sales of up to 1,639,300 shares of the Issuer. On January 8, 1998, Liberty Mutual filed Amendment No. 2 to this Schedule 13D indicating prior sales totaling 765,810 shares and intention to continue selling for three months. Liberty Mutual subsequently sold 536,797 shares after filing Amendment No. 2.

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Also on October 7, 1997, the Investment Committee of the Board of Directors of Liberty Fire authorized open market sales of up to 182,200 shares of the Issuer. On January 8, 1998, Liberty Mutual filed Amendment No. 2 to this Schedule 13D indicating prior sales totaling 85,090 and intention to continue selling for three months. Liberty Fire subsequently sold 6,356 shares after filing Amendment No. 2.

From March 17, 2003 to April 14, 2003, Liberty Mutual sold an additional 699,500 shares, which together with the post Amendment No. 2 sales represent sales of over 1% of the Issuer's securities.

Currently, Liberty Mutual and Liberty Fire plan to continue selling shares of the Issuer. The timing and amount of such sales are dependent upon and subject to the satisfaction of applicable legal requirements, market conditions and other relevant factors. Liberty Mutual and Liberty Fire have no immediate plans to liquidate their entire position in the Issuer's securities.

Item 5. Interest in Securities of the Issuer.

(a) The Reporting Persons beneficially own an aggregate of 6,444,096 shares of beneficial interest of Issuer, which constitute approximately 5.3% of the total shares issued and outstanding, as reflected in the most recently available filing with the Securities and Exchange Commission by the Issuer.

Liberty Mutual beneficially owns 5,673,970 shares of the Issuer, which constitute approximately 4.7% of the total issued and outstanding shares of beneficial interest of the Issuer.

Liberty Fire beneficially owns 770,126 shares of the Issuer, which constitute approximately 0.6% of the total issued and outstanding shares of beneficial interest of the Issuer.

(b) (1) Liberty Mutual has the sole power to vote or direct the vote of, and the sole power to dispose or direct the disposition of, 5,673,970 shares. Liberty Mutual has no shared power to either vote or dispose of the shares.

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(b) (2) Liberty Fire has the sole power to vote or direct the vote, and the sole power to dispose of or to direct the disposition of, 770,126 shares. Liberty Fire has no shared power to either vote or dispose of the shares.

(c) See Schedule B attached hereto, and by reference incorporated herein, describing transactions in the shares of Issuer effected within the past sixty days by the Reporting Persons.

(d) With respect to Liberty Mutual and Liberty Fire, to the best of their knowledge, no other person is known to have the right to receive or the power to direct the receipt of dividends from, or the proceedings from the sale of, such securities, where such interest relates to either more or less than five percent of the class.

(e) Not applicable.

Item 6. Contracts, Arrangements, Understanding or Relationships with Respect to Securities of the Issuer.

To the best of their respective knowledge, the Reporting Persons do not have any contracts, arrangements, understandings or relationship with any person

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with respect to the securities of the Issuer, regarding the transfer or voting of such securities, finders fees, joint ventures, loan or option arrangements, puts or calls, guarantees of profits, division of profits or loss, or the giving or withholding of proxies.

Item 7. Material to be Filed as Exhibits.

Exhibit A. Amended Schedule 13D Joint Filing Agreement dated
April 22, 2003

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SIGNATURES

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, I certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

LIBERTY MUTUAL INSURANCE COMPANY

By: /s/ Christopher C. Mansfield
Christopher C. Mansfield, Esq.
Senior Vice President and General Counsel

LIBERTY MUTUAL FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY

By: /s/ Christopher C. Mansfield
Christopher C. Mansfield, Esq.
Senior Vice President and General Counsel

Dated this 22nd day of April, 2003.

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SCHEDULE A

Controlling Persons

Liberty Mutual Insurance Company, a Massachusetts stock insurance company and Liberty Mutual Fire Insurance Company, a Massachusetts stock insurance company are indirect subsidiaries of Liberty Mutual Holding Company Inc., a Massachusetts mutual holding company. Liberty Mutual Holding Company Inc. is the ultimate controlling person of Liberty Mutual Insurance Company and Liberty Mutual Fire Insurance Company. Liberty Mutual Holding Company Inc. is a mutual holdings company wherein its members are entitled to vote at meetings of the company. No such member is entitled to cast 10% or more of the votes. Liberty Mutual Holding Company Inc. has issued no voting securities.

The officer and director information for Liberty Mutual Insurance Company, Liberty Mutual Fire Insurance Company and Liberty Mutual Holding Company Inc. is

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as follows:

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Chairman of the Board, President and
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Senior Vice President and
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Citizenship:

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Vice Presiden
Actuary
Citizenship:

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Vice Presiden
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Judith M. Arn
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Citizenship:

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Executive Officers and Directors of Ultimate Control Person

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Private Investor
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President and
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Chairman Emeritus
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175 Berkeley Street
Boston, Massachusetts 02117
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Paul J. Darling, II
President and
Chief Executive Officer

Francis Albert Doyle, III
President and CEO
c/o Connell Ltd. Partnership
One International Place
31st Floor
Boston, MA 02110
Citizenship: U.S.A.

John P. Hamill
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Chief Executive Officer
c/o Sovereign Bank
New England
75 State Street
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Marian L. Heard
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Chairman, President and
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Holding Company, Inc.
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SCHEDULE B

Liberty All-Star Equity Fund Sales

During the past sixty days, Liberty Mutual affected the following open market sales of the Issuer's securities:

Trade Date	No. of Shares	Price	Commission	SEC Fee
3/17/2003	25,000	\$6.6640	\$1,500.00	\$ 5.02
3/18/2003	150,000	\$6.9015	\$9,000.00	\$31.17
3/19/2003	50,000	\$6.8500	\$3,000.00	\$10.31
3/20/2003	70,700	\$6.8123	\$4,242.00	\$14.50
3/25/2003	50,000	\$6.8921	\$3,000.00	\$ 8.69
3/26/2003	18,200	\$6.8274	\$1,092.00	\$ 3.14
3/27/2003	19,400	\$6.8341	\$1,164.00	\$ 3.35
3/28/2003	19,800	\$6.7864	\$1,188.00	\$ 3.39
4/1/2003	24,300	\$6.7800	\$1,458.00	\$ 7.72
4/2/2003	98,400	\$6.9126	\$5,904.00	\$31.84
4/3/2003	26,700	\$6.9721	\$1,602.00	\$ 8.72
4/4/2003	8,600	\$6.9500	\$ 516.00	\$ 2.80
4/7/2003	30,000	\$7.0692	\$1,800.00	\$ 9.93
4/8/2003	34,900	\$6.9662	\$1,745.00	\$11.38
4/9/2003	36,000	\$6.9583	\$1,800.00	\$11.73
4/14/2003	37,500	\$7.0074	\$1,875.00	\$12.30
4/15/2003	50,000	\$7.0322	\$2,500.00	\$16.46
4/16/2003	20,400	\$7.0538	\$1,020.00	\$ 6.74
4/17/2003	50,000	\$7.0601	\$2,500.00	\$16.53
Total	819,900			

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EXHIBIT A

Schedule 13D Joint Filing Agreement

Each of Liberty Mutual Insurance Company and Liberty Mutual Fire Insurance Company hereby agree that the amended Schedule 13D filed herewith, and amendments which may be filed thereto, pursuant to Section 13(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and the regulations thereunder, relating to the sale of shares of beneficial interest of Liberty ALL*STAR Equity Fund, shall be filed jointly on behalf of each Company.

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Dated this 22nd day of April, 2003,

LIBERTY MUTUAL INSURANCE COMPANY

By: /s/ Christopher C. Mansfield
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LIBERTY MUTUAL FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY

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