

BALLY TOTAL FITNESS HOLDING CORP  
Form 8-K  
October 15, 2002

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C.

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**FORM 8-K**

CURRENT REPORT

PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF  
THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

Date of Report (Date of Earliest Event Reported): **October 14, 2002**

**BALLY TOTAL FITNESS HOLDING CORPORATION**

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(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Commission file number: **0-27478**

<u>Delaware</u>	<u>36-3228107</u>
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)	(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)
<b>8700 West Bryn Mawr Avenue,</b>	<b>60631</b>

**Chicago, Illinois**

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Address of  
principal  
executive  
offices)

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(Zip Code)

Registrant's  
telephone  
number,  
including area  
code:

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**(773)**  
**380-3000**  
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Item 5. Other Events

On October 14, 2002, Bally Total Fitness Holding Corporation announced the sale of a portion of its membership receivables portfolio. A copy of the press release relating to this sale is attached as Exhibit 99 hereto and is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 7. Financial Statements and Exhibits

c. Exhibits

99 Press Release dated October 14, 2002

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this Report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

BALLY TOTAL FITNESS HOLDING  
CORPORATION

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Registrant

Dated: October 15, 2002

/s/ John W. Dwyer

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John W. Dwyer  
Executive Vice President and Chief Financial  
Officer  
(principal financial officer)

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