Samii Karim Form 4 February 21, 2006

FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

See Instruction

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Pardus Capital Management L.P.

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

BALLY TOTAL FITNESS HOLDING CORP [BFT]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First)

(Middle)

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

Officer (give title below)

Director

_X__ 10% Owner _ Other (specify

1001 AVENUE OF THE AMERICAS, SUITE 1100

> (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

02/21/2006

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

Form filed by One Reporting Person _X_ Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

NEW YORK, NY 10018

(City)	(State) ((Zip) Table	e I - Non-D	erivative S	Securi	ties Acq	uired, Disposed o	of, or Beneficial	lly 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 on (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (A) or		5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
			Code V	Amount	(D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share	02/21/2006		P	25,155	A	\$ 8.15	5,525,155	I	See footnotes (1) (2) (3)
Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share	02/21/2006		P	3,500	A	\$ 8.37	5,528,655	I	See footnotes (1) (2) (3)
Common Stock, par value \$0.01	02/21/2006		P	12,600	A	\$ 8.38	5,541,255	I	See footnotes (1) (2) (3)

per share

Common Stock, par value \$0.01 P 14,300 A \$ 8.4 5,555,555 I footnotes per share

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)	4. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. onNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		ate	7. Title Amou Under Securi (Instr.	nt of lying	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Owno Follo Repo Trans (Instr
			Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		

Reporting Owners

	Relationships					
Reporting Owner Name / Address	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
Pardus Capital Management L.P. 1001 AVENUE OF THE AMERICAS SUITE 1100 NEW YORK, NY 10018		X				
Pardus European Special Opportunities Master Fund LP C/O PARDUS CAPITAL MANAGEMENT L.P. 1001 AVENUE OF THE AMERICAS,SUITE 1100 NEW YORK, NY 10018		X				
Pardus Capital Management LLC C/O PARDUS CAPITAL MANAGEMENT L.P. 1001 AVENUE OF THE AMERICAS,SUITE 1100 NEW YORK, NY 10018		X				

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Samii Karim C/O PARDUS CAPITAL MANAGEMENT L.P. 1001 AVENUE OF THE AMERICAS,SUITE 1100 NEW YORK, NY 10018

X

Signatures

/s/ Karim Samii 02/21/2006

**Signature of Date
Reporting Person

/s/ Karim Samii

02/21/2006

**Signature of Date
Reporting Person

/s/ Karim Samii

(6) 02/21/2006

**Signature of Date

Reporting Person

/s/ Karim Samii 02/21/2006

**Signature of 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).

Pardus European Special Opportunities Master Fund L.P., a limited partnership formed under the laws of the Cayman Islands (the "Fund"), is the holder of the 5,555,555 shares of the common stock, par value \$0.01 per share (the "Shares"), of Bally Total Fitness

- (1) Holding Corporation, a Delaware corporation (the "Company"). Pardus Capital Management L.P., a Delaware limited partnership ("PCM"), serves as the investment manager of the Fund and possesses sole power to vote and direct the disposition of all Shares held by the Fund.
- Pursuant to Rule 16a-1(2)(ii)(B) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Act"), Pardus Capital Management LLC, a
 Delaware limited liability company ("PCM LLC"), as the general partner of PCM, and Mr. Karim Samii, as the sole member of PCM
 LLC, may be deemed to be the beneficial owners of all Shares held by the Fund only to the extent of its or his direct or indirect pecuniary interest therein.
- Pursuant to Rule 16a -1(a)(4) under the Act, this filing shall not be deemed an admission that PCM LLC or Mr. Samii are, for purposes of Section 16 of the Act or otherwise, the beneficial owners of any securities reported herein in excess of such amount and PCM LLC and Mr. Samii disclaim beneficial ownership of all Shares held by the Fund.

Remarks:

- (4) Mr. Samii is signing in his capacity as sole member of Pardus Capital Management LLC, the general partner of Pardus Capital Management L.P., the investment manager of Pardus European Special Opportunities Master Fund L.P.
- (5) Mr. Samii is signing in his capacity as sole member of Pardus Capital Management LLC, the general partner of Pardus Capital Management L.P.
- (6) Mr. Samii is signing in his capacity as sole member of Pardus Capital Management LLC.

EXHIBIT LIST

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Exhibit 99.1 - Joint Filer Information

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