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BJS WHOLESALE CLUB INC Form S-8 June 26, 2002

> As filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on June 26, 2002 Registration No. 333-_____

> > SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, DC 20549

> > > FORM S-8

REGISTRATION STATEMENT UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933

BJ'S WHOLESALE CLUB, INC. (Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

Delaware (State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation or Organization) 04-3360747 (I.R.S. Employer Identification Number)

One Mercer Road, Natick, Massachusetts (Address of Principal Executive Offices)

01760 (Zip Code)

1997 STOCK INCENTIVE PLAN, AS AMENDED (Full Title of the Plan)

John J. Nugent, President and Chief Executive Officer BJ's Wholesale Club, Inc. One Mercer Road Natick, Massachusetts 01760 (Name and Address of Agent for Service)

(508) 651-7400 (Telephone Number, Including Area Code, of Agent for Service)

CALCULATION OF REGISTRATION FEE

		Proposed	Proposed	
Title of		Maximum	Maximum	
Securities		Offering	Aggregate	Amount of
to be	Amount to be	Price	Offering	Registration
Registered	Registered	Per Share	Price	Fee
Common Stock, \$0.01	2,000,000	\$40.41(1)	\$80,820,000(1)	\$7 , 435
par value	shares			

(1) Estimated solely for the purpose of calculating the registration fee, and based upon the average of the high and low prices of the Registrant's Common Stock as reported by the New York Stock Exchange on June 25, 2002, in accordance with Rules 457(c) and 457(h) of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended. PART I. INFORMATION REQUIRED IN THE SECTION 10(a) PROSPECTUS

The information required by Part I is included in documents sent or given to participants in the Registrant's 1997 Stock Incentive Plan, as amended, pursuant to Rule 428(b)(1) of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act").

PART II. INFORMATION REQUIRED IN THE REGISTRATION STATEMENT

Statement of Incorporation by Reference

This Registration Statement on Form S-8 incorporates by reference the contents of the Registration Statements on Form S-8, File Nos. 333-31015 and 333-79881, filed by the Registrant on July 10, 1997 and June 3, 1999, respectively, relating to the Registrant's 1997 Stock Incentive Plan, as amended.

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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act, the Registrant certifies that it has reasonable grounds to believe that it meets all of the requirements for filing on Form S-8 and has duly caused this Registration Statement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, in the Town of Natick, Massachusetts on June 26, 2002.

BJ'S WHOLESALE CLUB, INC.

By: /s/ JOHN J. NUGENT

John J. Nugent President and Chief Executive Officer

POWER OF ATTORNEY

We, the undersigned officers and directors of BJ's Wholesale Club, Inc., hereby severally constitute John J. Nugent, Frank D. Forward, Arthur T. Silk, Jr. and Sarah M. Gallivan, and each of them singly, our true and lawful attorneys with full power to them, and each of them singly, to sign for us and in our names in the capacities indicated below, the Registration Statement on Form S-8 filed herewith and any and all subsequent amendments to said Registration Statement, and generally to do all such things in our names and behalf in our capacities as officers and directors to enable BJ's Wholesale Club, Inc. to comply with all requirements of the Securities and Exchange Commission, hereby ratifying and confirming our signatures as they may be signed by said attorneys, or any of them, to said Registration Statement and any and all amendments thereto.

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Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act, this Registration

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Statement has been signed by the following persons in the capacities and on the dates indicated.

Signature	Title	Date
/s/ JOHN J. NUGENT John J. Nugent	President, Chief Executive Officer and Director (Principal Executive Officer)	June 26, 2002
/s/ FRANK D. FORWARD Frank D. Forward	Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer (Principal Financial and Accounting Officer)	June 26, 2002
/s/ HERBERT J. ZARKIN Herbert J. Zarkin	Chairman of the Board of Directors	June 26, 2002
/s/ S. JAMES COPPERSMITH S. James Coppersmith	Director	June 26, 2002
/s/ RONALD R. DION	Director	June 26, 2002
Ronald R. Dion /s/ KERRY L. HAMILTON	Director	June 26, 2002
Kerry L. Hamilton /s/ BERT N. MITCHELL 	Director	June 26, 2002
/s/ THOMAS J. SHIELDS Thomas J. Shields	Director	June 26, 2002
/s/ LORNE R. WAXLAX	Director	June 26, 2002
/s/ EDWARD J. WEISBERGER Edward J. Weisberger	Director	June 26, 2002

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Exhibit	
Number	Description

- 4.1 Specimen Certificate of Common Stock, \$0.01 par value per share, of the Registrant is incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 4.1 to the Registrant's Registration Statement on Form S-1, as amended (File No. 333-25511)
- 4.2 Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation of the Registrant is incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 4.1 to the Registrant's Registration Statement on Form S-8 (File No. 333-31015)
- 4.3 Amended and Restated By-Laws of the Registrant is incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 3.1 to the Registrant's Current Report on Form 8-K, dated April 7, 1999 (File No. 001-13143)
- 4.4 Rights Agreement, dated as of July 10, 1997, between the Registrant and First Chicago Trust Company of New York is incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 1 to the Registrant's Registration Statement on Form 8-A, dated July 10, 1997 (File No. 001-13143)
- 4.5 Amendment No. 1 to Rights Agreement, dated as of February 4, 1999, by and between the Registrant and First Chicago Trust Company of New York is incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 2 to the Company's Amendment No. 1 to Registration Statement on Form 8-A/A, dated March 5, 1999 (File No. 001-13143)
- 5 Opinion of Hale and Dorr LLP
- 23.1 Consent of Hale and Dorr LLP (included in Exhibit 5)
- 23.2 Consent of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP
- 24 Power of Attorney (included in the signature pages of this Registration Statement)

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