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> SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

> > FORM S-8 REGISTRATION STATEMENT UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933

CASUAL MALE RETAIL GROUP, INC. (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation or Organization) 04-2623104 (I.R.S. Employer Identification Number)

555 Turnpike Street Canton, Massachusetts 02021 (Address of Principal Executive Offices)

CASUAL MALE RETAIL GROUP, INC. 401(K) SALARIED SAVINGS PLAN AND CASUAL MALE RETAIL GROUP, INC. 401(K) HOURLY SAVINGS PLAN (Full Titles of the Plans)

> Dennis R. Hernreich Casual Male Retail Group, Inc. 555 Turnpike Street Canton, Massachusetts 02021 (Name and Address of Agent for Service)

(781) 828-9300 (Telephone Number, Including Area Code, of Agent for Service)

Copy to:

Peter G. Smith, Esq. Kramer Levin Naftalis & Frankel LLP 919 Third Avenue New York, New York 10022 (212) 715-9100

CALCULATION OF REGISTRATION FEE

Title of Securities to be Registered		Offering Price	Proposed Maximum Aggregate Offering	Amount of Registration Fee
Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share	500,000	\$6.85	\$3,425,000	\$277.08

- (1) This registration statement (this "Registration Statement") covers shares of the Registrant's common stock which may be offered or sold from time to time pursuant to the Registrant's 401(k) Salaried Savings Plan and 401(k) Hourly Savings Plan.
- (2) Estimated, solely for the purpose of calculating the registration fee, pursuant to Rules 457(c) and 457(h)(1) promulgated under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act"), based on the average of the high and low sales prices for the Registrant's common stock reported on the Nasdaq National Market on January 20, 2004, which is within five (5) business days prior to the date of this Registration Statement.

In addition, pursuant to Rule 416(c) under the Securities Act of 1933, this registration statement also covers an indeterminate amount of interests to be offered or sold pursuant to the employee benefit plan(s) described herein.

PART II

INFORMATION REQUIRED IN THE REGISTRATION STATEMENT

Item 3. Incorporation of Documents by Reference. The Registrant hereby incorporates by reference in this Registration Statement the following documents:

- - The Registrant's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended February 1, 2003, filed May 5, 2003;
- - The Registrant's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the three months ended May 3, 2003, filed June 16, 2003;
- - The Registrant's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the three months ended August 2, 2003, filed September 16, 2003;
- - The Registrant's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the three months ended November 1, 2003, filed December 9, 2003;
- - The Registrant's Current Report on Form 8-K, filed August 21, 2003;
- - The Registrant's Current Report on Form 8-K, filed November 10, 2003;
- - The Registrant's Current Report on Form 8-K, filed November 12, 2003;
- - The Registrant's Current Report on Form 8-K, filed November 13, 2003;
- - The Registrant's Current Report on Form 8-K, filed November 13, 2003;
- - The Registrant's Current Report on Form 8-K, filed November 20, 2003;
- The description of the Registrant's Class A Common Stock contained in the latest registration statement of the Registrant with respect to such Class A Common Stock filed under Section 12 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), including any amendment or report filed for the purpose of updating such description;
- All other reports filed by the Registrant pursuant to Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Exchange Act since the end of the fiscal year covered by the Annual Report referred to above; and
- All documents subsequently filed by the Registrant with the Securities and Exchange Commission pursuant to Section 13(a), 13(c), 14 or 15(d) of the Exchange Act, prior to the filing of a post-effective amendment to this Registration Statement which indicates that all securities offered hereby have been sold or which deregisters all securities then remaining unsold, shall be deemed to be incorporated by reference in this Registration Statement and to be a part hereof from the date of filing of such documents.

The Registrant will furnish to each person, including any beneficial owner, to whom this prospectus is delivered, without charge, a copy of any or all of the information that has been incorporated by reference (including any exhibits that are specifically incorporated by reference in that information) upon oral or written request to:

> Casual Male Retail Group, Inc. 555 Turnpike Street Canton, Massachusetts 02021 (781) 828-9300 Attn: Chief Financial Officer

- Item 4. Description of Securities. Not applicable.
- Item 5. Interest of Named Experts and Counsel. Not applicable.
- Item 6. Indemnification of Officers and Directors.

The Registrant's Restated Certificate of Incorporation, as amended (the "Certificate of Incorporation"), provides that no director of the Registrant shall be personally liable to the Registrant or to any of its stockholders for monetary damages arising out of such director's breach of fiduciary duty, except to the extent that the elimination or limitation of liability is not permitted by the Delaware General Corporation Law. The Delaware General Corporation Law, as currently in effect, permits charter provisions eliminating the liability of directors for breach of fiduciary duty, except that directors remain liable for (i) any breach of the directors' duty of loyalty to a company or its stockholders, (ii) acts or omissions not in good faith or which involve intentional misconduct or a knowing violation of law, (iii) any payment of a dividend or approval of a stock repurchase that is illegal under Section 174 of the Delaware General Corporation Law, or (iv) any transaction from which the directors derived an improper personal benefit. The effect of this provision of the Certificate of Incorporation is that directors cannot be held liable for monetary damages arising from breaches of their duty of care, unless the breach involves one of the four exceptions described in the preceding sentence. The provision does not prevent stockholders from obtaining injunctive or other equitable relief against directors, nor does it shield directors from liability under federal or state securities laws.

The Certificate of Incorporation and the Registrant's By-Laws further provide for indemnification of the Registrant's directors and officers to the fullest extent permitted by Section 145 of the Delaware General Corporation Law, including circumstances in which indemnification is otherwise discretionary.

- Item 7. Exemption from Registration Claimed. Not applicable.
- Item 8. Exhibits.

Exhibit Number	Description
5.1	Opinion of counsel as to legality of the shares of the Registrant's Common Stock covered by this Registration Statement.
23.1	Consent of Ernst & Young LLP.
23.2	Consent of counsel (included in Exhibit 5.1 above).
24.1	Power of Attorney (contained in Signature Page hereto).

Item 9. Undertakings.

The undersigned Registrant hereby undertakes:

(1) To file, during any period in which offers or sales are being made, a post-effective amendment to this registration statement:

- (i) to include any prospectus required by Section 10(a)(3) of the Securities Act of 1933;
- (ii) to reflect in the prospectus any facts or events arising after the effective date of the registration statement (or the most recent post-effective amendment thereof) which, individually or in the aggregate, represent a fundamental change in the information set forth in the registration statement. Notwithstanding the foregoing, any increase or decrease in volume of securities offered (if the total dollar value of securities offered would not exceed that which was registered) and an deviation from the low or high end of the estimated maximum offering range may be reflected in the form of prospectus filed with the Commission pursuant to Rule 424(b) if, in the aggregate, the changes in volume and price represent no more than 20 percent change in the maximum aggregate offering price set forth in the "Calculation of Registration Fee" table in the effective registration statement;
- (iii) to include any material information with respect to the plan of distribution not previously disclosed in the registration statement or any material change to such information in the registration statement;

provided, however, that clauses (1)(i) and (1)(ii) do not apply if the information required to be included in a post-effective amendment by those clauses is contained in periodic reports filed with or furnished to the Commission by the Registrant pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 that are incorporated by reference in the registration statement.

- (2) That, for the purpose of determining an liability under the Securities Act of 1933, each such post-effective amendment shall be deemed a new registration statement relating to the securities offered therein, and the offering of such securities at that time shall be deemed to be the initial bona fide offering thereof.
- (3) To remove from registration by means of a post-effective amendment any of

the securities being registered which remain unsold at the termination of the offering.

The undersigned Registrant hereby undertakes that, for purposes of determining any liability under the Securities Act of 1933, each filing of the Registrant's annual report pursuant to Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (and, where applicable, each filing of an employee benefit plan's annual report pursuant to Section 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934) that is incorporated by reference in the registration statement shall be deemed to be a new registration statement relating to the securities offered therein, and the offering of such securities at that time shall be deemed to be the initial bona fide offering thereof.

Insofar as indemnification for liabilities arising under the Securities Act of 1933 may be permitted to directors, officers or persons controlling the Registrant pursuant to the foregoing provisions, or otherwise, the Registrant has been informed that in the opinion of the Securities and Exchange Commission such indemnification is against public policy as expressed in the Act and is, therefore, unenforceable. In the event that a claim for indemnification against such liabilities (other than the payment by the Registrant of expenses incurred or paid by a director, officer or controlling person of the Registrant in the successful defense of any action, suit or proceeding) is asserted by such director, officer or controlling person in connection with the securities being registered, the Registrant will, unless in the opinion of its counsel the matter has been settled by controlling precedent, submit to a court of appropriate jurisdiction the question whether such indemnification by it is against public policy as expressed in the Act and will be governed by the final adjudication of such issue.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, 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 city of Canton, Commonwealth of Massachusetts, on this 26th day of January, 2004.

CASUAL MALE RETAIL GROUP, INC. By:/S/ DENNIS R. HERNREICH

Name: Dennis R. Hernreich Title: Executive Vice President, Chief Financial Officer of Casual Male Retail Group, Inc.

POWER OF ATTORNEY AND SIGNATURES

We, the undersigned officers and directors of Casual Male Retail Group, Inc., hereby severally constitute and appoint David A. Levin, Dennis R. Hernreich and Arlene Feldman, and each of them singly, our true and lawful attorneys, with full power to them and each of them singly, to sign for us in our names in the capacities indicated below, all pre-effective and posteffective amendments to this registration statement and any other registration statement (and any amendment thereto) filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission with respect to the plan listed on the face of this registration statement and generally do all things in our names and on our behalf in such capacities to enable Casual Male Retail Group, Inc. to comply with the provisions of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and all requirements of the Securities and Exchange Commission.

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, this Registration Statement has been signed by the following persons on January 26, 2004 in the capacities indicated.

Signature	Title(s)	
/s/ SEYMOUR HOLTZMAN	Chairman of the Board and Director	
Seymour Holtzman		
/s/ DAVID A. LEVIN	President, Chief Executive Officer and Director	
David A. Levin		
/s/ DENNIS R. HERNREICH	Senior Vice President, Chief Financial Officer,	
Treasurer and Principal Accounting Office Dennis R. Hernreich		
/s/ ALAN S. BERNIKOW	Director	
Alan S. Bernikow		
/s/ JESSE CHOPER	Director	
	Director	
Jesse Choper		
/s/ STEPHEN M. DUFF	Director	
Stephen M. Duff		
/s/ FRANK J. HUSIC	Director	
Frank J. Husic		
/s/ JOSEPH PENNACCHIO	Director	
Joseph Pennacchio		
/s/ GEORGE T. PORTER, JR.	Director	
George T. Porter, Jr.		

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, the Trustees have duly caused this Registration Statement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, in the city of Canton, Commonwealth of Massachusetts, on this 26th day of January, 2004.

CASUAL MALE RETAIL GROUP, INC., AS PLAN ADMINISTRATOR FOR THE 401(K) SALARIED SAVINGS PLAN

By: /S/ DAVID A. LEVIN Name: David A. Levin Title: President

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, the Trustees have duly caused this Registration Statement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, in the city of Canton, Commonwealth of Massachusetts, on this 26th day of January, 2004.

> CASUAL MALE RETAIL GROUP, INC., AS PLAN ADMINISTRATOR FOR THE 401(K) HOURLY SAVINGS PLAN

By: /S/ DAVID A. LEVIN Name: David A. Levin Title: President

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[LOGO OF CASUAL MALE RETAIL GROUP APPEARS HERE]

January 26, 2004

Casual Male Retail Group, Inc. 555 Turnpike Road Canton, Massachusetts 02021

Ladies and Gentlemen:

I am Vice President and General Counsel of Casual Male Retail Group, Inc., a Delaware corporation (the "Company"), and have acted as counsel to the Company in connection with its Registration Statement on Form S-8 (the "Registration Statement") filed pursuant to the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act"), relating to the registration of 500,000 shares (the "Shares") of the Company's common stock, par value \$0.01 per share (the "Common Stock"), that may be purchased by the participants of the Casual Male Retail Group, Inc. 401(k) Salaried Savings Plan and the Casual Male Retail Group, Inc. 401(k) Hourly Savings Plan (together, as the same may be amended or supplemented from time to time, the "Plans").

For purposes of the opinion expressed in this letter, I have examined copies of the Registration Statement, the Plans, the Restated Certificate of Incorporation and By-Laws of the Company, records of the corporate proceedings of the Company and such other documents and records of the Company as I have deemed necessary or appropriate as a basis for such opinion. In making my examination, I have assumed the genuineness of all signatures, the legal capacity of natural persons, the authenticity of all documents submitted to me as originals and the conformity to the originals of all documents submitted to me as photostatic or conformed copies.

I am a member of the Bar of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and, for purposes of the opinion expressed in this letter, do not hold myself out as expert on, nor am I in rendering the opinion expressed herein passing on, the laws of any jurisdiction other than the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware.

Based on the foregoing, and having regard to such legal considerations as I have deemed relevant, I am of the opinion that, upon the issuance and purchase of the Shares in accordance with the terms and provisions of the respective Plans, the Shares will be validly issued, fully paid and non-assessable.

I hold options to purchase 5,000 shares of CMRG Common Stock.

I hereby consent to the inclusion of this letter as an exhibit to the Registration Statement. In giving such consent I do not thereby concede that I am within the category of persons whose consent is required under Section 7 of the Securities Act or the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder.

Very truly yours,

/s/ Arlene Feldman Arlene Feldman

Consent of Independent Auditors

We consent to the incorporation by reference in the Registration Statement(Form S-8) pertaining to the Casual Male Retail Group, Inc. 401(K) Salaried Savings Plan and the Casual Male Retail Group, Inc. 401(K) Hourly Savings Plan, of our report dated March 26, 2003, with respect to the consolidated financial statements and schedule of Casual Male Retail Group,Inc. included in its Annual Report (Form 10-K) for the year ended February 1, 2003, filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

/s/ ERNST & YOUNG LLP

Boston, Massachusetts January 26, 2004