

## **CSC Absentee Ballot Procedures** **Barcelona Goers and Alta/Snowbird Skiers Listen Up!**

The Columbia Ski Club elections will be held at the annual meeting, on Mar. 12th. If you are a CSC member and you know that you will not be able to attend the March meeting (say you're going on a ski trip extension to Barcelona or going on a ski trip to Alta/Snowbird...), then you may vote by absentee ballot. The following procedure is quoted from the CSC Bylaws, as approved on Sept. 9, 2002:

*Any member may choose to vote by absentee ballot using the following procedure:*

1. *The member must send a signed request for an absentee ballot to the Columbia Ski Club P.O. Box. The request must be received no later than the Monday following the nomination meeting in February. Included with the request must be a self-addressed stamped envelope.*
2. *The absentee ballot must be received at the Columbia Ski Club P.O. Box no later than the Saturday prior to the Annual Meeting in March.*

In addition, the elections committee will have a table at the Feb 13th general meeting, where members may submit a request for an absentee ballot (don't forget your self-addressed, stamped envelope!) If you forget to bring a stamped envelope, we will sell you one for 50¢.

If you choose to mail your request to the CSC, please mail your signed request and a self-addressed, stamped envelope to:

ATTN: Elections  
Columbia Ski Club  
P.O. Box 204  
Columbia, MD 21045

Here are some important deadlines if you plan to vote by absentee ballot:

- **Mon. Feb. 13** — Request Absentee Ballot at CSC General Meeting
- **Tues. Feb. 21** — Deadline for Requests for Absentee Ballots at PO Box (Mon. is a holiday, so you get an extra day!)
- **Sat. Mar. 10** — Deadline for receipt of Absentee Ballots at PO Box. Some other important points about absentee ballots:

You must be a member of CSC to vote – we will verify your membership

Your self-addressed envelope's address *must match your address in our database* – this is a security measure intended to prevent any fraud – if you've moved, please make sure that your address is up to date by emailing our database king at [database09@ColumbiaSkiClub.org](mailto:database09@ColumbiaSkiClub.org).

Although a quorum of only 15% of members must vote for our election to be valid, we strongly encourage *all* members to vote. This procedure was added to our bylaws so that everyone could vote – please exercise your right to vote!