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50TH REUNION HANDICAPPED YELLOW BALL TOURNAMENT

Each player should use the set of tees (black, white, gold or red) they normally use or feel most comfortable using.

Record each player's total number of strokes on each hole, but never more than double par (e.g., eight on a par four). In addition, record the score with the yellow ball (again not more than double par).

Before teeing off on a hole, have a captain designate a foursome member to play with the yellow ball on that hole. The captain must have each member play the yellow ball at least twice on both the front & back nine (i.e., on at least four holes). If you play in a threesome, then each member plays the yellow ball on three holes on each nine.

To help keep-up the pace of play, if a ball goes out of bounds or is lost, feel free with a one stroke penalty to just put another ball in play using line of sight as you would with a lateral water hazard without returning to the tee box (i.e., no distance penalty). Putts "inside the leather" are conceded (i.e., the distance from the bottom of the grip down to the club head of the putter). A player is free to pick-up on any hole when reaching double par.

Each foursome will have a sleeve of three yellow balls, and in the unlikely circumstance that your foursome loses all three, record double par for the yellow ball for the remaining holes.

We will apply Peoria handicapping to determine the net score for each player and each foursome's yellow ball.

Here is how that handicapping works. A non-competitor secretly pre-selects six holes, which he reveals when play is completed. Then, total each player's scores and the yellow ball scores on those six holes, and multiply that total by three and subtract par 72. Subtract 80% of that number (rounded down) from the 18-hole gross score to determine the 18-hole net score.

For example, if a player or the yellow ball uses 36 strokes on the six secret holes, multiplied by three is 108, less par 72 is 36, and 80% of 36 rounded down is 28, which is the handicap allowance you subtract from the 18-hole gross score. In this example, if the gross score is 98, the net score is 70.

With the stipulation that no player wins more than one, these are the prizes: For the low individual 18-hole **net** score, a Golf Galaxy \$50 Bonus Certificate, and for the low foursome's yellow ball 18-hole **net** score, Golf Galaxy \$20 Bonus Certificates (four).

Good luck.