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John Daly II Secures Sponsor Exemption for Inaugural OccuNet Classic Presented by Amarillo National Bank

AMARILLO, TX - The **OccuNet Classic presented by Amarillo National Bank** announced today that **John Daly II**, will compete in the tournament under a **sponsor exemption**. The tournament will be contested **June 11–14, 2026**, and will mark the OccuNet Classic presented by Amarillo National Bank's inaugural year on the Korn Ferry Tour. This will mark Amarillo's first Korn Ferry Tournament since 1990 and will take place at **Tascosa Golf Club**.

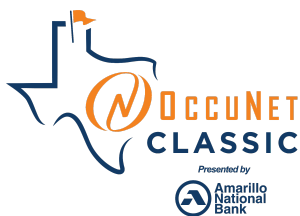
"I'm very excited and grateful to be competing in the OccuNet Classic. This will mark my first start as a professional golfer, and is something I've worked toward for a long time. I'm thankful for everyone who has supported me along the way and can't wait to get out there and compete," said John Daly II.

John Daly II, better known as "Little John," has left his mark on the University of Arkansas, having graduated this Spring. He has amassed an impressive resume during his amateur golf career, including winning the 2021 PNC Championship, 2025 Southern Amateur Championship, and 2025 Blessings Collegiate Invitational; he was also a finalist for the 2025 Ben Hogan Award. Daly made his PGA TOUR debut (as an amateur) at the 2026 Puerto Rico Open, which was also under a sponsor exemption.

"We're extremely excited to have John Daly II start his professional career in Amarillo! John has had an incredible college career at Arkansas. I can't imagine a better way for him to start the next phase of his career in the same city as his father, John Daly, who finished runner-up in the Korn Ferry Tour event in 1990," said Drew Blass, Tournament Director.

For more information about the OccuNet Classic presented by Amarillo National Bank, please visit [**www.OccuNetClassic.com**](http://www.OccuNetClassic.com)

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About the OccuNet Classic presented by Amarillo National Bank

In its inaugural year, the OccuNet Classic presented by Amarillo National Bank will join the Korn Ferry Tour in June of 2026. Scheduled for June 8-14, it will host a field of 156 players competing for a share of the \$1,000,000 purse. The winner will receive \$180,000. The event will take place at Tascosa Golf Club. For information about corporate sponsorship opportunities, volunteer opportunities, or ticket information, please visit the official tournament website at www.occunetclassic.com. Information can also be found on Facebook, Instagram and Twitter.

About the Korn Ferry Tour

Founded (1990), owned and operated by the PGA TOUR, the Korn Ferry Tour identifies and develops golf's next stars, preparing them to compete and win on the game's biggest stage. The Korn Ferry Tour, which has served as a path to the PGA TOUR since its inception, annually awards 20 PGA TOUR cards based on its points list, with the No. 1 player earning exemptions into the following year's PLAYERS Championship and U.S. Open. With more than 700 PGA TOUR titles, 35 major championships, and eight FedExCup champions, Korn Ferry Tour alumni make up 82 percent of the PGA TOUR's current membership. To learn more about the PGA TOUR, the Korn Ferry Tour, and to follow the season-long quest for PGA TOUR cards, visit PGATOUR.COM or follow the Korn Ferry Tour on social media. Ten Korn Ferry Tour events in 2026 are televised on Golf Channel in the United States, with tournament coverage available internationally in more than 170 countries and territories via 23 media partners.

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