# World's top extreme kayakers return to Boise, Id June 17-19, 2021 to compete in the North Fork Championship

Dubbed the hardest kayak race on the planet, the North Fork Championship has gained international notoriety. Pitting the world's best kayakers against one of the hardest stretches of whitewater, the North Fork Championship is a must see event.



**Idaho, Boise, Jun 9, 2021 (**<u>Issuewire.com</u>**)** - The North Fork Championship presented by Toyota will be held June 17-19, 2021 on the North Fork of the Payette River 7 miles north of Banks, Idaho. The 2021 sponsors are Toyota, NRS, Red Bull, Visit Idaho, Payette Brewing Co., Yeti, Kokatat, and Kayak Session Magazine.

The North Fork Championship is back June 17-19 2021, bringing the extreme whitewater kayaking competition to the banks of the North Fork of the Payette River in Idaho. After a year of change and a global pandemic, the 2020 North Fork Championships suffered the fate of most live events in the world and had to cancel what would have been the ninth annual event.

Alec Voorhees, one of the organizers said, "As the world emerges and live events return, the excitement for the North Fork Championship has never been higher with nearly 150 racers traveling to Idaho to test their skills on the legendary Class V North Fork of the Payette. This is nearly the number of racers that competed from 19 countries in the 2019 North Fork Championship, which was the official Extreme Kayaking World Championships, despite numerous international borders still being closed."

For the first time in history, the North Fork Championship will be available via a <u>pay-per-view live stream</u> presented by NRS for the world to watch live, as 30 of the world's elite men, and 5 of the best women launch off the Red Bull Ramp into the mouth of Jacob's Ladder. Jacob's Ladder is the most notorious and ferocious rapid on the North Fork. In addition to its high degree of difficulty, NFC puts numerous gates within the rapid to make the course even more challenging. The North Fork of the Payette River runs parallel to Idaho State Highway 55 which creates a unique opportunity for spectators to witness the event. "The North Fork Championship has set the standard for the highest level of kayaking performance and risen to the top tier of extreme sports events around the world," said Hayden Voorhees - 2020 U21 Male Paddle of the Year.

The winners split a purse of \$17,000 with the top of the podium taking home \$5000 in both the men's and women's division.

### North Fork Championship Event Schedule:

Thursday, June 17th

10:30 am - Kokatat Qualifier Race on S-Turn Rapid6:00 pm - NFC Film Fest presented by NRS and hosted at Payette Brewing

Friday, June 18th

12:00 pm - North Face Boater X (6 racers race head to head in heats to determine a winner) 6:00 pm-10:00 pm NFC Whitewater Festival at Weilmunster Park in Crouch Idaho

Saturday, June 19th

1:00 pm - North Fork Championship Main Event on Jacob's Ladder 6:00 pm - 10:00 pm NFC Whitewater Festival and Awards

Saturday's action will be available via the NFC Livestream presented by NRS and is available as a payper-view event that can be ordered <u>here</u>.

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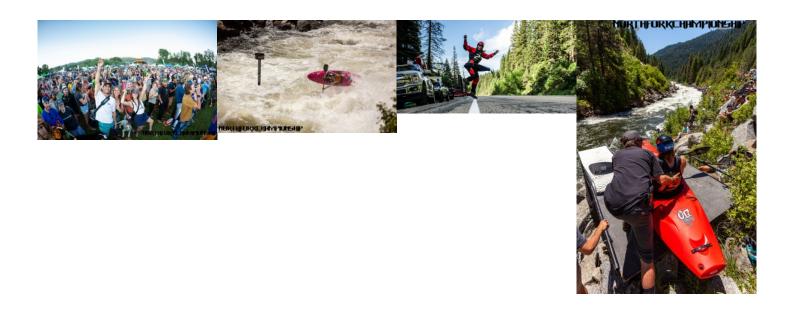
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For more information on North Fork Championship, FAQs, athlete, and spectator information visit

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### **About North Fork Championship**

North Fork Championship is an Idaho company organized by the Voorhees Family who are committed to elevating the world of kayak competition and showcasing the top talent in whitewater kayaking. North Fork Championship is proud to support and champion equal pay among male and female athletes.



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