PRIX DE BOURGOGNE – AMERIQUE RACES PMU Q#5 : GU D'HERIPRE IMPÉRIAL, EMERAUDE DE BAIS AND AMPIA MEDE SM QUALIFY FOR THE FINALS

The year 2023 concluded with a thrilling battle at Paris-Vincennes. The **Prix de Bourgogne - Amérique Races PMU Q#5** unfolded at great speed and was claimed by the dazzling **Gu d'Héripré**. Fabrice Souloy's protegé left a lasting impression ahead of the finals.

Gu d'Héripré makes history

After securing third place in the **Prix du Bourbonnais - Amérique Races PMU Q#2,** *Gu d'Héripré* fulfilled his mission by earning a ticket to the finals of the **Amérique Races PMU** competition. These finals include the **Prix d'Amérique Legend Race**, the world harness racing championship on January 28th, the **Prix de France Speed Race** (February 11th), and the **Prix de Paris Marathon Race** (February 25th). In the **Prix de Bourgogne - Amérique Races PMU Q#5**, Fabrice Souloy's apprentice demonstrated his ambition to claim a prestigious title after just one month's preparation. With a powerful surge on the final bend, *Gu d'Héripré* left his rivals trailing behind and soared to victory. Having finished third in the 2021 edition of the **Prix d'Amérique Legend Race**, he has proven to be back on top form despite previous health issues.

Completing the podium were *Emeraude de Bais* and *Ampia Mede SM*, another contender from Fabrice Souloy's stable, both securing a spot in the finals. François Lagadeuc, the victorious driver, spoke of his delight to racing channel Equidia: "*Gu d'Héripré is remarkably talented but maintaining his health is crucial. He gave a magnificent performance today and I feel very fortunate to partner with him as it's never easy to have such high-caliber horses to drive. But he's in great shape and I can't wait to drive him in the Prix d'Amérique.*"

Only three places for the finals remain for the taking. These will be decided in the final qualifying race - the **Prix de Belgique - Amérique Races PMU Q#6** on Sunday 14th January at Paris-Vincennes