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The third Encierro of the Sanfermines 2022 leaves the first injured

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USPA NEWS - Third time lucky, establishes an old Spanish saying. At the third you get what you couldn't get before. And the bulls that this Saturday staged the third Encierro of the Sanfermines 2022 in Pamplona must have known that because, on the third attempt, they managed to injure one runner. The first wounded of the San Fermín festivities.

The Encierro pointed out ways from its beginning, with the six bulls that were going to be fought in the afternoon in the centennial bullring of Pamplona, commanding the herd in which there were also the meek ones in charge of directing it. They ran determined, warning anyone who dared to approach that they could take a puncture. And not only the runners, but also the public that flocks every morning to see the Encierro. The warnings were of no use because on Mercaderes street, halfway through the 850-meter route that leads to the bullring, one of the bulls hooked a runner. First wounded of these Sanfermines.

The danger had arisen meters before. On weekends, the population of Pamplona triples with visitors from other towns in the province and from the regions near Navarra. And that influx of people was noticed in the Encierro, the most massive to date. So many people made it difficult for the bulls to run and it can be said that it was a miracle because only one person was injured by a bull's horn. A puncture in the thigh, for which he had to be transferred to the Navarra Hospital.

And it is that the massive influx of runners hindered the advance of the bulls, but also the movements of the runners. Five bruised by bumps and falls are a good example of this. Despite everything, this Saturday's Encierro lasted 2.30 minutes. It was fast and, at times, dangerous. A human tide surrounded them all the way, their horns inches from the runners.

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