



**UNITED STATES EQUESTRIAN FEDERATION**  
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January 23, 2014

Mrs. Michelle Laudano  
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Sent via email: [funnyfarm250@comcast.net](mailto:funnyfarm250@comcast.net)

Re: #2443 HUDSON VALLEY ARABIAN HORSE ASSOCIATION

Dear Mrs. Laudano,

The United States Equestrian Federation has received several competition evaluations regarding the above-referenced competition held May 10-12, 2013. All evaluations received to date were favorable to your competition. The Federation would like to commend you for holding a competition that these exhibitors considered safe and enjoyable.

The evaluations received reflected high rankings for nearly all categories indicated on the USEF Competition Evaluation form. Some of the highest ratings were reported in the following areas:

- Competition staff and customer service
- Competition office, planning, and operation
- Announcement system
- Access to veterinarian and farrier
- Steps taken to ensure the safety of competition participants
- Timeliness of results posting and their availability for review
- Conduct of hired steward, technical delegate, and course designer
- Footing in competition, warm up, and lunging areas
- Quality of jump and course materials in hunter, jumper, trail, and western classes
- Overall appearance, quality, and cleanliness of stabling
- Grounds cleanliness
- Quantity and availability of sharps containers
- Water, wash rack, and manure management
- Quality and availability of concessions

Some competitors expressed concern about the judging in the Sport Horse classes.



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Again, congratulations on hosting a successful competition and for exemplifying the pursuit of excellence in equestrian sport.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Rachael Zilboorg". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Rachael Zilboorg  
Competition Safety & Assessment Coordinator

CC'd: Hudson Valley Arabian Horse Association c/o Elizabeth Redkey, Corresponding Secretary ([info@hvaha.org](mailto:info@hvaha.org))



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