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## CASL Calendar

### September 24

Adidas Footwear Sale at WRAL Soccer Center 4pm-8pm  
15% off the newest line of cleats and indoor shoes  
Location: Parking lot of OSNC Building

### September 28

RailHawks vs. Ft. Lauderdale  
CASL Tower Tickets \$9

### September 30

[2014 CASL Ambassador Information Meeting](#)  
5-7pm OSNC Building at WRAL Soccer Center

## CASL PROMOTIONS

[Top Form Soccer](#): Codes for discounted HD game videos

[RailHawks Games: CASL Tower Discounted Tickets](#)

[Raleigh City of Oaks Marathon](#)  
Sunday, November 3 ~ 7am  
Code: CASLRUNS for \$10 off

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Submit nominations for the weekly CASL Spotlight to [Katharine Kelley](#).



# CONNECTION

September 23– September 29, 2013



## CASL U12 Fusion: “We are Team Madison”

You’ve probably heard the saying, “Talk the Talk, and Walk the Walk”. In soccer, it’s easy to *talk the talk* by

calling yourself a team. The challenge comes when you are faced with the opportunity to *walk the walk*. This is where great teams separate themselves from good teams, and the U12 Fusion has done just that, both on and off the field. The U12 Fusion loves soccer but they also like helping the community, as a team. In the past, the team has collected books for a book drive, made sandwiches with Brown Bag Ministry, and volunteered as Spirit Squad at the NC Special Olympics Eastern Basketball Tournament.



Most recently, the Fusion team responded accordingly when a soccer sister and teammate (Madison; pictured right) was diagnosed with leukemia on July 5th. They dubbed themselves *Team Madison* and showcase this every practice and game day with patches that read *Team Madison* and her number 27. They made visits, enlisted friends and family to shower her with birthday cards and much more. The girls continue to visit, call, text and facetime with Madison. Parents and Coaches of Team Madison also donated leave to enable Madison’s mom to stay home with her. The Fusion is definitely walking the walk; literally, as they have put together a team to participate in the **Leukemia & Lymphoma Society’s Light the Night Walk in Durham on October 5**. They are currently the #1 fundraising team for the walk. They are 99% of the way to their goal of \$5,000. **If you want to walk the walk and help the team surpass their fundraising goal as they walk in support of Madison and her family, [click here to visit their team page](#).**



In the words of a Fusion parent, the team is undoubtedly “Kicking Soccer Balls and Cancer’s Butt...we are Team Madison”. This is evident not only the rallying support of the team, but also the fact that at the end of Phase 1 treatment on August 9<sup>th</sup>, Madison was declared in remission. She is currently in Phase 2 of treatment where she’s managed to stay feisty as ever. We know that we have not heard the last of Team Madison and all the great things they are doing on and off the



field. Team Madison is comprised of (from top left corner clockwise) Alyssa, Bree, Brittany, Fiona, Grayson, Jenna, Lauren, **Madison**, Peyton, Coach Annie, Coach Laura, Coach Brian, Olivia, Lexi, and Kyle. We are so proud to see that this team has their priorities straight, and I speak for all of us at CASL when I say that we are sending all of our support to Madison, her family, and Team Madison.

*Madison (pink hat) still joins her team at practices and games on good days.*

### Editor’s Note:

Team Madison deserves our full attention, so no other stories were included this week. The parent that nominated the Fusion responded in an email saying, “I’m so glad you think we are news worthy. They are such a great group”. Clearly, this is the case, and occasionally we all need a reminder that sometimes what is going on beyond the soccer pitch deserves priority. It’s easy to get caught up in the game, whether you are a parent, player, coach or fan. Team Madison represents a great role model for all us as individuals and teams. Go Madison and Team Madison!

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