NASCAR won't curb celebrations after Zilisch's fall

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Driver Connor Zilisch's head-first tumble from the roof of his car in Victory Lane last weekend resulted in a broken collarbone but no changes in the customary celebrations, NASCAR said.

There will be more attention on the window net, which apparently tangled with Zilisch's left foot as he climbed out of his No. 88 JR Motorsports Chevrolet after winning the Mission 200 at The Glen Xfinity Series race on Saturday night.

Zilisch, 19, had one foot on the hood and one on the ledge of the window and was posing for photographs when he lost his balance and fell hard to the ground. The rookie was taken off the track on a backboard and to the hospital via ambulance.

"I think that was part of the problem, that the window net was flapping on the outside," NASCAR managing director of communications Mike Forde said during the latest episode of the "Hauler Talk" podcast released on Wednesday.

"I think Connor even said that may have been a problem, and one of our safety guys actually mentioned the same thing. So, we may do just sort of a check to make sure that if that's inside the car, it's one less thing you can slip on."

Zilisch did not race on Sunday in the NASCAR Cup Series at Watkins Glen International Speed-

"First of all, I'm doing OK," Zilisch said during the USA broadcast of the race. "Very grateful to be able to walk away from that. I guess I didn't walk away, but I'm very grateful to be walking today and to just be all right. Thank you to all the medics who took care of me. and everybody who reached out and wished me well. I do appreciate it a lot."

Zilisch said he knew he was in trouble just before the fall.

'Yeah, I was climbing out of the car and obviously the window net was on the door, and as soon as they started spraying water, my foot slipped, Zilisch said. "The last thing I remember was being halfway down and falling, so I'm glad it wasn't any worse, and that the collarbone is the extent of the injuries, but hate I couldn't make it to the race today."

Forde said on the podcast that NASCAR has not "put in any policies or best practices or anything like



NASCAR Xfinity Series driver Connor Zilisch falls from his car while celebrating in victory lane after winning Saturday's Mission 200 at The Glen at Watkins Glen International.

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that," with regard to drivers climbing onto the doorsill while celebrating.

Zilisch said he had surgery on his collarbone on Tuesday. The Xfinity Series points leader has

not announced his status for the Aug. 22 race at **Daytona International** Speedway. He already used a playoff waiver for sitting out the May 2 event at Texas Motor Speedway

Forde said Zilisch must request another waiver to remain eligible for the

because of a back injury.

series championship if he misses Daytona or other races.

"He has to miss a race first, so we're probably a good two weeks away from even receiving a waiver request from Connor," Forde said. "We'll get with the doctors and find out where he is."

Forde said that if Zilisch was medically cleared to race but chose to miss races while healing before the playoffs, NASCAR would consider it.

Driver Alex Bowman, for example, missed a race in 2022 at Martinsville Speedway after being cleared during recovery from a concussion.

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"It's a case-by-case basis," Forde said.

Williams granted wild-card entry to **US Open singles**

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Venus Wiliams secured entry into the main draw of her 25th U.S. Open when she received a wildcard invitation Wednesday to play women's sin-

Williams, 45, already had received a wild-card invitation to play mixed

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doubles with Reilly Opel-

Williams last appeared at the U.S. Open in 2023 and last won a singles match at the event in 2019. Of her seven grand slam singles titles, two have come at Flushing Meadows, N.Y., (2000, 2001).

When she takes the court for the tournament later this month, Williams will become the oldest participant in women's singles at the U.S. Open since Renee Richards played in 1981 at age 47.

Williams made her return to ATP play in July at the D.C. Open after not playing over the previous 16 months. Her first-round win over Peyton Stearns made her the oldest to win a singles match in 21 years. She also won a doubles match with partner Hailey Baptiste.

Williams lost her firstround match last week at the Cincinnati Open, 6-4, 6-4 to Spain's Jessica Bouzas Maneiro.

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NOTICE OF HEARING TO EXCEED REVENUE NEUTRAL RATE AND BUDGET HEARING

The governing body of Aubry Township

Will meet on September 4th, 2025 at 6:00 PM at 19120 Metcalf Ave, Stilwell, KS 66085 for the purpose of hearing and cring objections of taxpayers relating to the proposed use of all funds, the amount of ad valorem tax and the revenue neutral rate. Detailed budget information is available at 19800 Metcalf Ave, Stilwell, KS 66085 and will be available at this hearing

BUDGET SUMMARY Proposed Budget 2026 Expenditures and Amount of 2025 Ad Valorem Tax establish the maximum limits of the 2026 budget. Estimated Tax Rate is subject to change depending on the final assessed valuation

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Net Expenditure	36,297		39,984		49,520		
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would be thriving and the Royals would be a couple games better in the win column and not churning to stay in the AL Wild-Card race with a 60-61 record entering the weekend.

Instead, Lugo abruptly has gone from a 2.95 ERA before the extension to giving up 15 runs in 12.2 innings for a 10.66 ERA in his three starts since the trade deadline.

The latest confounding performance was on Wednesday at Kauffman Stadium, where he gave up five runs in the first inning and seven overall (six earned) in an 8-7 loss to Washington.

Between that and his last time out in particular, yielding seven runs in four innings against the Twins, it's hard not to speculate that something is ailing Lugo — who was placed on the 15-day injured list in May with a strained right middle finger.

But after the game Wednesday, Lugo said he had "completely turned the corner" on that and that he feels good.

"Just need to execute better," said Lugo, who walked four and gave up a first-inning grand slam and called the outing "pretty bad."

To be clear, though, there are a lot of reasons the Royals lost this game to a bad Nationals team (48-72) that it should have swept.

Yes, Lugo was the most visible and puzzling part

Really, though, this was about season-long themes. Like a glitch in the field, in this case a rare error by Bobby Witt Jr. that enabled an unearned run.

And an apparent baserunning gaffe, in this instance by John Rave. Manager Matt Quatraro defended Rave, saying he had to guard against being doubled off on Witt's line single to right. But what seemed to be late recognition left Kyle Isbel stranded at third when he

might well have scored. Oh, and going 4 for 17 with runners in scoring position.

Any loss is a team loss, and maybe no one put it more aptly than Vinnie Pasquantino — who had four RBIs (and nine in two days) but thought more about the runners he stranded.

"Kind of starts with me," he said. "Like, I had multiple opportunities with guys at third and less than two outs and didn't come through. And that's my job.

"So not being able to come through there, like, it's probably the difference in the game.'

Add it all up and those sorts of differences in too many games are the difference between being in the thick of playoff contention and hovering uncomfortably off the scent.

While they took two out of three from the Nationals, the defeat also was their second in four days (each featuring another recent mini-trend of 30save closer Carlos Estevez taking the loss) that felt like a giveaway.

Just when they can least afford to be so charitable.

They're "running out of season," as general manager J.J. Picollo put it on Monday.

For all that, the Royals still have ample time and the means to make up the ground — which was 4.5 games behind the third and final wild-card spot as of Wednesday afternoon.

After months of flailing offensively, they've found life at the plate: As of Wednesday, for instance, they'd scored five or more runs in 14 of their 24 games since the All-Star Break.

For the most part, they've managed what has lurked as a debilitating sequence of injuries to starting pitchers (Cole Ragans, Kris Bubic and Michael Lorenzen).

And they also seem to have prospered by acquiring the veteran leadership of Randal Grichuk, Mike

Yastrzemski and Adam Frazier to fill what Picollo acknowledged Monday had been a void.

Based on conversations and observations of body language and reactions to losing, he said, it became "pretty apparent" six or seven weeks into the season that the Royals needed the stabilizing influence they hadn't anticipated would be lacking among a still-young cast of position players that seemed to come of age last year.

Those new arrivals, Picollo said, have given the Royals "a shot in the arm."

But it's still a shot in the dark whether they can reach the postseason for a second straight year and just the fourth time since

The schedule says it's still in their grasp. Or at least that they still have some say in it.

Starting Friday, with a three-game series against the White Sox, nine of their final 41 games are against the two worst teams in the American League. And starting next week, with a four-game set against the Rangers, they've got seven games left against the two teams directly in front of them for that final playoff slot.

The margin for error, though, is dwindling by the day.

Barring something we don't know, everything about Lugo's history as a starter these last few years tells you he's going to be part of the potential solution in the weeks to come.

The bigger concern is whether the rest of this team gets around to being what we thought it was before the season — and what the franchise wants to be known for. 'When we think about

Royals baseball, it's pitching, defense, smart base running, situational hitting," Picollo said. "And when we do those things, we can overcome other

When they don't, they can't make up for an uncharacteristic slump from one of their most reliable performers.

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Aubry Township

Notice of CON Application Lee's Summit Senior Living Community, LLC is seeking Certificate of Need approval to develop and construct a 76-bed assisted living facility with memory care units at the northeast corner of NE Lakewood Way and Bowlin Rd in Lee's Summit, MO 64064 (Project No. 6232RS). If you have an comments or concerns, please fee free to direct them to Attorney Paul Brothers at 1100 Main Street, Suite 2700, Kansas City, MO 64105, (816) 256-3181, or pbrothers@gravesgarrett.com. IPL0263642

Aug 15 2025 NOTICE FOR BIDS North Oak Village CID (CID) is seek ing separate, sealed bids endorsed "North Oak Village Shopping Center" addressed to the property manager, R.H. Johnson Co., will be received until 3:00 PM, Prevailing Local Time, on August 25, 2025, at the offices of R.H. Johnson Co., Att: Jenny Johnson 4520 Madison Avenue, Suite 300, Kansas City, MO 64111, jjohnson@ rhiohnson.com, and at that time will be publicly opened and read aloud. Any bid received after such time and date

may not be considered The work is located at the North Oak Village Shopping Center at the north-east corner of the intersection of NE Vivion Rd. and N Oak Trwy. In Kansas City, Clay County, MO. The scope of work includes: (1) maintenance to NE 50th Way to Include a road over-lay as follows: (a) all labor, materials and equipment to remove and replace 8-inch concrete approach (Approx 600SF), (b) mill specified area (Approx 85,235SF) to a depth of approximately 2" and clean area in preparation for installation of hot mix asphaltic concrete, and (c) restripe back to existing layout; and (2) maintenance to two

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