

Elkton junior Kieryn Carnes.

TIP-OFF from B1

"It's good that we, as a group, responded because there was a place now to build from," said Davis. Warriors are now hoping that Nicki Derrick and Rilie-Jo Olds, a pair of key players from a season ago, work their way back from injury and into the rotation

"You think once we get those two kids back and league gets here, we'll round into something that's competitive," said Davis. **Elkton Girls**

Game One: Elkton 42, WVC 38 Game Two: Monroe 46, Elkton

After a mid-week loss last Wednesday against Perrydale to start the season, the Elks started to find their footing on

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Friday with a close win over WVC. Aspyn Luzier's 10 points and 15 rebounds paired with 11-points from Kieryn Carnes were enough to secure a fourpoint victory.

But as the weekend went on, the team kept getting better.

"So if you saw us Wednesday and then saw us last night, even though we won yesterday we still didn't play very well, but this was a totally different team," Parker said of his squad that played Monroe to a close game.

After seeing the Dragons beat North Douglas the night before, Parker was hoping to slow the game down and keep it under 30 if his team was going to have a chance. The game went off script as a frenetic pace paired with threes from Luzier saw the



North Douglas senior Caleb Parks.

Elks with a four-point lead in the second quarter. At halftime it was Monroe, taking advantage of Elkton foul trouble, with a 27-21 advantage.

After Elkton cut their deficit to two, the Dragons opened up the scoring as they finished off the quarter with a 16-4 run to put the game out of reach. After changing their defense and reinserting Alexis Halstead into the defense despite four fouls, the Elks began to make a run of

Despite missed from the free throw lines, the Elks scored nine straight points in the quarter before a Monroe's first field goal of the quarter came with 1:11 left in the game. Despite late game makes, a made Monroe free throw put the game away for the

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"You don't ever like to lose, but if we had to lose, that was okay. Preseason, that's a good team," said Parker. "They've got good size. We do some different things and I thought we reacted well, I thought we played really good defense. For the most part we're still learning."

North Douglas Boys Game 1: Monroe 69, NDHS 66 Game 2: NDHS 68, WVC 38

While it was a losing effort on night one against Monroe, head coach Tyler Vancil didn't quite see it that way.

"It wasn't one where you lose and it's like, 'Ugh, that really sucks.' But it was 'Hey, we lost, but it didn't really feel like a loss because we took so many positives away.' So that was nice," said Vancil.

In an up and down game that saw North Douglas twice rally back from double-digit deficits the Dragons came out ahead Elkton senior Mason Cox.

as Zach Young finished off the night with 38 points. For North Douglas, Vancil saw it as a game of learning experiences and learning from their errors. Cal Parks had 27 points for the Warriors while Jake Gerrard had 13 and Koldan Freize added 11.

On Saturday the Warriors rolled through WVC for a 30-point victory. And this time their scoring started down low with Tanner Parks. The 5'11 forward played down low scoring 10 of the team's 22 points in the first quarter. He finished the game with 15 points.

"I said, keep going to him. They can't guard him down there. He's doing a great job so we just kept doing that," said Vancil. "He was kind of a role player last year and he put in a lot of work over the offseason... He plays bigger than 5'11. He's really strong in the post and just goes hard. It's nice to be able to have a guy like that."

Frieze added 12 points on the

While the Warriors got a big win, now they look to clean up

the mistakes. "We've got to take care of the ball. Even tonight, yeah we won big but we had too many turnovers. Just mental mistakes,"

said Vancil. **Elkton Boys:**

Game 1: Elkton 36, WVC 29 Game 2: Monroe 67, Elkton 46

The constant refrain with Elkton is improvement.

"Just keep improving. We've got some habits that we need to break and how we respond to things we just got to keep battling and keep improving. I think we're seeing that in every game," said head coach Gary Trout.

On Friday, they started the weekend not just with improvement but with a win as they took down WVC with a strong fourth-quarter performance.

But on Saturday the fastpaced Dragons proved to be too much to handle as they opened the lead early and never backed off. Zach Young had 22 points for Monroe while Mason Cox led the Elks with 14 points. Austin Luzier added 13 for Elkton.

"It's about what I expected as far as where we're at. I'm really pleased with how they're responding," said Trout. "We're making progress and we're correcting things. It's just a matter of how quickly we can improve and how much we can improve."



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