

## **Wertz scores 20, Notre Dame beats Southern Indiana 82-70**

**SOUTH BEND, Ind. (AP)** — Trey Wertz scored 20 points, Nate Laszewski added 18 points and 10 rebounds and Notre Dame beat Southern Indiana 82-70 Wednesday night in the Gotham Classic presented by Discount Tire.

Laszewski hit a 3-pointer 17 seconds into the game and Notre Dame (3-0) led the rest of the way. Dane Goodwin's layup made it 19-9 with 11:41 left in the first half and Wertz sandwiched a pair of 3-pointers around three free throws by Cormac Ryan in a 9-0 spurt that made it 28-11 about 3 minutes later.

Jacob Polakovich scored the last six points in a 16-3 run that pulled Southern Indiana (1-2) with 49-41 with 14 minutes to play but Wertz scored 11 points in the next five minutes — including nine in a row for the Notre Dame — and the Screaming Eagles got no closer.

Trevor Lakes hit five 3-pointers and scored 21 points on 7-of-11 shooting for Southern Indiana. Polakovich made 7 of 10 from the field and finished with 16 points and 10 rebounds and Gary Solomon added 11 points and five assists.

Goodwin had 14 points on 5-of-7 shooting, Ryan scored 13 points and JJ Starling 10 for Notre Dame.