

Markets

SFE 200 Futures (9.30am AEDT)	6684	37	0.6
NZX 50	12687	134	1.1
DJIA Futures	29998	452	1.5
S&P 500 Futures	3633	57	1.6
NASDAQ Futures	12076	171	1.4

Local Markets Commentary

The Australian market opens mid-week trade with another batch of high-profile domestic stocks hosting AGMs and providing updates, and a construction sector update from the Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS) late morning, following positive overnight international equities trade.

Locally today, the Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS) is due to publish a September construction work done report **11.30am** AEDT.

Also today, **GNC, OFX** and **WHF** trade **ex-dividend**. Please see p4 for a detailed list.

Regionally, the Reserve Bank of **New Zealand** is scheduled to publish a financial stability report pre-trade.

In overnight commodities trade, **oil** was propelled higher.

US **gold** futures fell further, towards \$US1800/oz.

LME **copper** and other key base metals swung higher.

The **\$A** ultimately trod water after trading beyond US73.60c early yesterday evening.

Overseas Markets

INDEX	CLOSE	+/-	%
Dow Jones	30046	455	1.5
S&P 500	3635	58	1.6
NASDAQ	12037	156	1.3
FTSE 100	6432	98	1.6
DAX 30	13292	165	1.3
Shanghai Comp	3403	-12	-0.3

Overseas Markets Commentary

Major European and US equities markets opened higher overnight, sentiment subsequently never looking seriously threatened.

The DJIA notably surpassed 30,000 for the first time, despite some disappointing domestic data releases.

Greater risk tolerance was broadly supported by several considerations.

Reduced Covid-19 community restrictions, by Christmas, were outlined or flagged by the UK and some western European administrations, the UK also expanding on plans to reduce quarantining.

* Retail app listing – 11am AEDT – PX1 *

* Minerals exploration listing – 12.30pm AEDT – CPN *

Today's Stock Watch
Fisher & Paykel Healthcare (FPH)

NZ16c interim dividend, against NZ12c a year ago.

86% higher, \$NZ225.5M interim NPAT. 59% higher, \$NZ910.2M operating revenue.

A teleconference was scheduled to commence 8am AEDT.

Kathmandu Holdings (KMD)

October quarter total sales grew 72% year-on-year, supported by Rip Curl. Additional details and today's AGM materials lodged pre-trade.

Harvey Norman (HVN)

160.1% higher, \$341.1M year-on-year October quarter pre-tax profit. 1 July – 21 November comparable aggregated sales revenue grew 27.5%.

APA Group (APA)

Outlaying \$460M for a new gas pipeline in WA, connecting the Perth Basin to the goldfields region.

IRESS Ltd (IRE)

Strategy update webcast teleconference and Q&A scheduled for **midday** AEDT. The update will focus on the OneVue acquisition. Presentation lodged post-trade yesterday.

Xero Ltd (XRO)

\$US600M convertible notes offer by subsidiary Xero Investments, for listing on the Singapore Exchange Securities Trading (SGX-ST). The notes are guaranteed by XRO. In addition, Xero Investments and XRO will conduct an existing convertible bonds buy-back. XRO expects the buy-back will adversely impact FY21 income by \$US30M - \$40M. Additional details lodged post-trade yesterday. XRO has traded higher the past five sessions, settling at \$135.86 yesterday and trading as high as \$136.94 intra-session.

Fletcher Building (FBU)

Today's AGM materials lodged pre-trade.

4DS Memory (4DS)

'Resistive Memory Device having a Template Layer' patent secured in the US, this representing 4DS' 28th US patent.

Energy
Santos Ltd (STO)

Narrabri gas project Australian government environmental approval in hand.

STO says approval conditions are consistent with those outlined by NSW authorities late-September, and in line with those governing GLNG operations.



In addition, late-Monday, the US administration granted president-elect Joe Biden access to funding and data that would support the transition to a new presidential regime.

Further, reports former US Federal Reserve chair Janet Yellen would be nominated as treasury secretary bolstered expectations of near-term new fiscal support.

Together with ongoing Covid-19 treatment approval and potential vaccine optimism, this pushed the \$US lower.

Several central bank heads and officials spoke publicly yesterday overnight.

Bank of England governor Andrew Bailey warned long-term adverse impacts of the UK potentially concluding its European Union (EU) transition period without agreeing trade arrangements would be worse than Covid-19 economic damage.

Yesterday, **Reserve Bank of Australia** (RBA) deputy governor Guy Debelle advised against removing Covid-19 – related economic recovery stimulus early, due to the likelihood of an uneven pickup.

Mr Debelle lauded the RBA bond purchase program for helping constrain the \$A.

Together with historically low interest rates, the program had made it easier for companies and government to carry debt and supported household incomes.

Also yesterday, **Bank of Japan** governor Haruhiko Kuroda told Japan's parliament there was no need to alter the fundamental focus behind the central bank's policy decision-making, as had other central banks recently.

In overnight **data** releases, an IFO business climate index for **Germany** fell to 90.7 from 92.5.

The expectations component index came in at 91.5 and the current conditions index at 90.

In the meantime, Germany recorded 8.5% September quarter GDP growth for the three months, in a final reading that followed expectations of an 8.2% rise.

Year-on-year, GDP declined 4.0%.

In the **US**, the Richmond Fed manufacturing index dropped to 15 from 29, following forecasts of a fall to 17.

The Conference Board November consumer confidence index was calculated at 96.1 from 101.4, against expectations of 97.5.

Two September residential property price indices diverged.

Case-Shiller's indicated a 1.2% monthly rise and prices that were 6.6% higher than for September 2019.

An industry house price index rose 1.7% for the month to represent a 9.1% annual increase.

Tonight in the **US**, several material data releases and reports are due, ahead of the Thanksgiving holiday (Thursday), and truncated Friday trade by which time the 'Black Friday' retail event will be underway.

These include **Federal Reserve** November policy meeting minutes, a second (but not final) September quarter GDP reading, weekly new unemployment claims, October personal income and spending, durable goods orders, wholesale inventories and new home sales.

The University of Michigan is also expected to release a final November consumer sentiment reading.

Elsewhere, the **UK** government is due to reveal the results of its

Pre-Open Announcements

Plexure Group (* PX1)

Retail personalised marketing app provider scheduled to list on the ASX as a foreign-exempt listing **11am** AEDT.

168.08M shares.

PX1 is listed on the NZSX.

Fatfish Group (* FFG)

Launching a buy now pay later (BNPL) service with investee company Smartfunding Pte Ltd.

Smartfunding is 58.8% held by FFG Swedish subsidiary Abelco Investment Group.

In addition, FFG is acquiring a 19.9% direct holding in Smartfunding, and will provide marketing and technical assistance to launch the BNPL service.

FFG is resuming from a trading halt having last traded at 4.6c.

Alcidion Group (ALC)

ALC has expanded a reseller agreement for Next Gate's Enterprise Master patient Index and Provider Registry system to include the UK and Ireland.

Volpara Health (VHT)

A webcast was scheduled to commence 9am AEDT.

\$NZ8.865M interim net loss, following an \$8.0M net loss a year ago.

43% higher, \$NZ10.47M ordinary activities revenue.

\$NZ64.3M cash and equivalents.

Imricor Medical Systems (IMR)

Ninth clinical site secured, this one the University Hospital, Munster, Germany.

PropTech Group (* PTG)

The former Real Estate Investar Group was reinstated to ASX quotation as real estate SaaS products provider PTG yesterday, after raising \$10.6M in a 25c-per-share offer.

Opened at 31.5c and traded at 28c – 33c before closing at 28.5c.

3.2M shares changed hands across 304 transactions.

54.06M quoted shares.

Vonex Ltd (VN8)

Change of AGM venue details lodged post-trade yesterday.

VN8 is hosting its AGM Friday.

Resources

Caspin Resources (* CPN) / Chalice Gold Mines (CHN)

WA-focused mineral explorer CPN is scheduled to list on the ASX **12.30pm** AEDT, following an \$8M IPO at 20c per share.

60.07M quoted shares.

CHN holds 10%. CHN hosts its AGM today.

Cardinal Resources (* CDV)

Shandong Gold Mining has boosted its CDV off-market



2020 **spending review** and release updated economic and fiscal forecasts.

Across the channel, the **European Central Bank** publishes a financial stability review report.

Companies scheduled to report earnings include Deere & Co, Trip.com, United Utilities and Virgin Money.

In overnight corporate news, **Tesla** shares appreciated a further 34% on the group's inclusion in the S&P 500.

Malaysia-headquartered **Top Glove** Corp warned of supply delays, revealing it was closing some operations due to positive Covid-19 results among employees.

US markets will not trade tomorrow night, due to the Thanksgiving holiday. Markets will also close early Friday.

Commodities				
COMMODITY	CLOSE	\$US/	+/-	%
Gold (NY) (Dec)	1803.8	oz	-34	-1.9
Silver (NY) (Dec)	23.26	oz	-0.38	-1.6
Gold (LON) (20 Nov)	1840	oz		
Platinum (23 Nov)	924	oz		
WTI Crude (NYMEX Jan)	44.91	bbl	1.85	4.3
Brent Crude (ICE EUR Jan)	47.86	bbl	1.80	3.9
Iron Ore (NYMEX,CHN,62%) (23 Nov)	123.18	t	-0.17	-0.1
Copper (LME,3mth Ind,PM)	7298	t	118	1.6
Nickel	16250	t	316	2.0
Aluminium	1989	t	15	0.8
Lead	2023	t	12	0.6
Zinc	2751	t	22	0.8
Tin	18680	t	34	0.2

Commodities Commentary

Oil – prices were pushed decisively higher overnight, supported by Covid-19 containment optimism, improved expectations of the US presidential transition, and a weaker \$US.

Both Brent crude and WTI settled at their highest since 6 March.

A weekly US petroleum inventories report is due tonight from government agency the EIA.

Post-overnight trade, a weekly US petroleum industry report has estimated a 3.8MMbbl increase in stored crude.

Baker Hughes is also expected to publish its weekly US petroleum rig count.

Gold – an overnight move lower by the \$US failed to support overnight gold interest, amid economic recovery hopes buoyed by US political and Covid-19 potential vaccine and treatment developments.

Base metals – early LME gains were supported by ongoing Covid-19 vaccine and treatment optimism and a \$US pullback.

Copper traded as high as \$US7331/t, an almost 2.5-year peak and 70% higher than in March this year.

Exchange Rates			
CURRENCIES	LAST	+/-	%
AUD – USD	0.7359	-0.0003	-0.03

takeover offer price by A5c to \$A1.05, in response to a proposed \$1.05 cash-per-share CDV off-market offer from Engineers & Planners Company, announced yesterday.

Competing CDV bidder Nord Gold is not increasing its \$1.00-cash-per-share bid, due to the 'highly conditional' nature of the Engineers & Planners proposal.

CDV has traded at \$1.01 - \$1.07 the past five sessions, closing at \$1.065 yesterday.

Poseidon Nickel (POS)

Heralding preliminary metallurgical test work results, including nickel recoveries and concentrate grades, for WA Golden Swan project drill core.

Australian Vanadium (AVL)

MoU secured with ATCO Australia, for ATCO to supply green hydrogen for the proposed AVL processing facility, WA mid-west region.

Antipa Minerals (AZY) / Rio Tinto (RIO)

AZY has lodged significant-width, and some high-grade, assays from drilling within the Citadel gold-copper project Calibre deposit.

Dreadnought Resources (DRE)

DRE has secured 100% of the 4000sq km Mangaroon Ni-Cu-PGE project, also considered prospective for high-grade gold, and located 250km south east of Exmouth.

WA Kaolin (* WAK)

Kaolin explorer and miner scheduled to list on the ASX 11.30am AEDT **tomorrow**, following a \$22M IPO at 20c per share. 159.23M quoted shares.

Energy

Armour Energy (* AJQ)

Surat Basin Kincora gas project Horseshoe #2, Horseshoe #4 and Warroon #1 wells are ready to commence flow-back, clean-up and testing.

Schedules have been adjusted following recent Covid-19 – related quarantine requirements.

Initial flow rate information is expected to become available for Horseshoe #4 next week and for the other two wells during first-half December.

Trading Halts

Company	Code	Resuming
Clean TeQ Holdings	CLQ	25 Nov
DevEx Resources	DEV	25 Nov
engage:BDR Ltd	EN1	25 Nov
Kogi Iron	KFE	25 Nov
Leigh Creek Energy	LCK	25 Nov
PSC Insurance Group	PSI	25 Nov
Sabre Resources	SBR	25 Nov
Security Matters	SMX	25 Nov



EUR – USD 1.1893 0.0001 0.01

Australian Data Today

ABS Construction work done Sep Q

US Data Tonight

GDP (2nd of three) Sep Q
 US Fed policy meeting minutes 5 Nov
 Initial jobless claims 21 Nov
 Personal income & spending Oct
 Durable goods orders Oct
 Wholesale inventories Oct
 New home sales Oct
 Uni of Michigan consumer sentiment (final) Nov
 MBA mortgage applications 20 Nov

Other Overseas Data Today & Tonight

UK Spending review 2020
 Euro zone ECB financial stability Nov

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Weebit Nano	WBT	25 Nov
Bowen Coking Coal	BCB	26 Nov
Candy Club Holdings	CLB	26 Nov
Identitii Ltd	ID8	26 Nov
Metallica Minerals	MLM	26 Nov
African Gold	A1G	27 Nov
Anson Resources	ASN	27 Nov
Bega Cheese	BGA	27 Nov
Greenland Minerals	GGG	27 Nov
Lotus Resources	LOT	27 Nov
Neurotech International	NTI	27 Nov
Nova Mineral	NVA	27 Nov
Strike Resources	SRK	27 Nov
Technology Metals Australia	TMT	27 Nov
Alderan Resources	AL8	30 Nov

Suspensions *(select)*

Company	Code	Since
Dotz Nano	DTZ	20 Nov
Fremont Petroleum Corporation	FPL	3 Nov
Hot Chili	HCH	20 Nov

Ex-Dividends

Code	Ex-Div	Div (c)	Franking (%)	Yield (%)
GNC	Today	7	100	0.00
OFX	Today	0.81	0	3.82
WHF	Today	10.25	100	3.87
ALQ	Tomorrow	8.5	100	1.72
CVL	Fri	1	100	1.40
GCI	Fri	0.71	0	4.28
IFT	30 Nov	5.64	0	2.78
MEC	30 Nov	1.5	100	1.94
ORI	30 Nov	16.5	0	0.96

Reports & Events

(selected; all times AEDT)

When	Company	Report/Event
Today	3DP	AGM (6pm)
	BPT	AGM
	BTH	AGM
	BGL	AGM
	CAD	AGM
	CHN	AGM
	DW8	AGM
	FPH	Interim
	FBU	AGM; 1H guidance
	HVN	AGM
	IRI	AGM

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IFL	AGM
IRE	Strategy update (midday)
KMD	AGM
LTR	AGM
MKR	AGM
NST	AGM
ORG	Investor update
PLL	AGM
PME	AGM
RRL	AGM
SCP	AGM (2pm)
SM1	AGM (3pm)
VHT	Interim
VN8	AGM
WGO	AGM

Tomorrow	ADV	AGM (5pm)
	BD1	AGM
	BFC	AGM
	CST	AGM
	ERD	Interim (webinar 8.30am)
	EVN	AGM
	HSN	AGM
	HUB	AGM
	LGP	AGM (5pm)
	LYC	AGM
	MAD	AGM
	MCT	AGM (5pm)
	MVF	AGM
	NWH	AGM
	PCK	AGM
	PRU	AGM (9pm)
	QUB	AGM
	RMS	AGM
	RTR	AGM (3pm)
	SOM	AGM
VML	AGM	
WTC	AGM	