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Market Opener

Australia -

## Markets

SFE 200 Futures (9.25am AEST) NZX 50	<b>5401</b> 7516	<b>-10</b> 12	<b>-0.2</b> 0.2
DJIA Futures	18522	-1	0.0
S&P 500 Futures	2185	0	0.0
NASDAQ Futures	4828	0	0.0

## **Local Markets Commentary**

The Australian market will open on mixed overnight international equities and commodities leads.

In commodities trade, US **gold** futures picked up the pace of Friday's rally. **Oil** gained. LME **copper** continued slightly lower, but Comex (US) copper rallied. **Iron ore** continued lower.

The **\$A** was pushed past US76.80c after trading at  $\sim$ US76.5c early yesterday evening.

Locally today, June quarter **GDP** figures are due **11.30am** AEST. Pre-trade, AiG will release its August construction sector activity index. Posttrade, the RBA publishes foreign reserves.

Large-cap local stocks trading **ex-dividend** today include **BXB**, **COH**, **CTX**, **PFL**, **QAN** and **SPO**. *Please see* **pp3-4** *for a detailed list.* 

**China** is expected to publish August foreign reserves ~**1pm**. Trade figures and foreign direct investment are anticipated tomorrow.

#### **Overseas Markets**

INDEX	CLOSE	+/-	%
Dow Jones	18538	46	0.3
S&P 500	2186	7	0.3
NASDAQ	5276	26	0.5
FTSE 100	6826	-53	-0.8
DAX 30	10687	15	0.1
Shanghai Comp	3091	19	0.6

#### **Overseas Markets Commentary**

Major European and US equities markets diverged overnight, US volumes reportedly low following Monday's public holiday.

ISM's **US** non-manufacturing activity index concerned just as much as its manufacturing index had done last week, coming in 4.1 points lower than for July, at 51.4, the lowest reading in 6.5 years.

This pushed expectations of a September US rate rise even lower, the  $US dropping \sim 1\%$ .

Earlier in the **euro zone**, June quarter GDP growth was confirmed at 1.6% in a final reading.

**Germany**'s July industrial orders rose 0.2% for the month, following a 0.3% fall in July, but a 0.4% gain had been forecast.

**Tonight** in the US, the Federal Reserve releases its monthly region-by-region economic overview, known as the 'beige book'. July job openings and weekly mortgage applications are also due.

Across the Atlantic, **Bank of England** governor Mark Carney is due to answer questions in parliament.

Hewlett Packard Enterprise is among companies due to report earnings.

Australia – June quarter GDP 11.30am AEST.

\* Data management listing 11am AEST - KYK \*

## Today's Stock Watch

## Goodman Group (GMG)

Anthony Rozic has been appointed GMG's US chief executiveelect. Brandon Birtcher will leave GMG to pursue other opportunities.

## Fairfax Media (FXJ) / NZME Ltd (NZM)

Implementation agreement in hand for the proposed merger of Fairfax New Zealand and NZM. The previously-flagged plan requires approval from the NZ Commerce Commission, NZ Overseas Investment Office and NZM shareholders.

#### Blackmores Ltd (BKL)

Reported interest in a potential change of control for BKL helped BKL to a 3.6% (\$4.19) appreciation to \$120.76 yesterday, ending a six-session negative run despite the company trading ex-dividend (\$2.10).

## Spotless Group ( **SPO**)

Director Rob Koczkar is retiring from the SPO board, effective 30 September, after almost five years with SPO. SPO trades exdividend (5c) today.

## Xped Ltd (XPE)

Resuming from a trading halt with the appointment of former Intel Corporation Internet of Things Group Smart Homes GM Martin Despain as XPE MD. Mr Despain's appointment is effective 19 September. XPE last traded at 3.5c.

## Paradigm Biopharmaceuticals (PAR)

PAR's pentosan polysulfate sodium (PPS) has demonstrated tolerance and potential clinical benefits in a pre-clinical study involving patients suffering viral arthritis and joint pain.

## **Qube Holdings (QUB)**

UBS has placed a buy on QUB, cancelling a neutral rating.

## Kyckr Ltd (\* KYK)

Data management specialist scheduled to list 11am AEST following a \$5.19M IPO at 20c per share.

## Resources

## Resolute Mining (RSG)

Gold reserves totalled 5.1Moz and resources 12.1Moz as at 30 June. RSG is anticipating 300,000oz output for FY 2017, at a \$A1280/oz AISC.

## Saracen Mineral Holdings (SAR)

High-grade, significant-width drilling results lodged this morning from four discrete programs. SAR is targeting 300,000oz annual gold production by mid-2017.

## **Genesis Minerals (GMD)**

Initial cash-flow is anticipated early-November, now that all WA eastern goldfields Ulysses gold project approvals are in hand. GMD expects mining to commence by the end of the month and first ore to arrive at Paddington Gold's mill by mid-October.

#### Sovereign Metals (SVM)

Metallurgical testing using Malawi Malingunde deposit flake graphite has demonstrated a 97.3% C concentrate is possible. Details lodged this morning.

Overnight, Canadian petroleum pipeline major **Enbridge** announced it would outlay \$US28B for Texas-based company **Spectra Energy**.

**General Electric** meanwhile plans to pay a total \$US1.4B for two European-headquartered 3-D printing companies.

#### Commodities

COMMODITY	CLOSE	\$US/	+/-	%
Gold (NY) (Dec)	1354	oz	27	2.1
Silver (NY) (Dec)	20.1	oz	0.8	4.0
Gold (LON)	1337	oz	11	0.8
Platinum	1097	oz	35	3.3
WTI Crude (Oct)	44.8	bbl	0.4	0.9
Iron Ore (Tianjin)	58.6	t	-0.2	-0.3
Copper (LME)	4620	t	-6	-0.1
Nickel	10110	t	40	0.4
Aluminium	1589	t	9	0.6
Lead	1947	t	-23	-1.2
Zinc	2321	t	-40	-1.7
Tin	19450	t	55	0.3
CBT Wheat (Sep)	3.71	bshl	-0.02	-0.6

#### **Commodities Commentary**

*Oil* – a falling **\$US** plus Genscape's estimate of a 700,000bbl fall in Cushing, Oklahoma crude **stocks** last week supported overnight US prices.

Brent crude settled 0.8% lower however, at \$US47.26/bbl.

US (EIA) weekly petroleum inventories will be published tomorrow night.

Gold – propelled higher by another weak and influential US data report which pushed the \$US lower

Base metals – a \$US drop in second-half LME trade failed to support *copper* to an ultimate gain, LME stocks reportedly increasing 6450t to 334,975t over almost 12 months. Comex (US) copper added 0.7%, however.

Caution noted amid low-volume trade out of the US and ahead of China's August trade figures, expected tomorrow.

#### **Exchange Rates**

CURRENCIES	LAST	+/-	%
AUD – USD	0.7681	-0.0006	-0.08
EUR – USD	1.1247	-0.0010	-0.08

#### Australian Data Today

ABS	GDP	Jun Q
AiG	PCI	Aug
RBA	Forex liquidity; reserve assets	Aug

#### US Data Tonight

Fed beige book	Aug
MBA mortgage applications	2 Sep
JOLTs job openings	Jul

#### Other Overseas Data Today & Tonight

China	Foreign reserves	Aug
Japan	Business conditions indices	Jul

## **Pre-Open Announcements**

## Thred Ltd (\* THD)

THD's CEO David Whitaker is chairing a Chief Innovation Officer Summit in Sydney today. Yesterday THD demonstrated its proposed (Microsoft Windows) Office 365 integration at a Microsoft Channel Kick-Off partner conference in Hong Kong. Today's conference will feature Fujitsu, Telstra (ASX: TLS), Commonwealth Bank (ASX: CBA), EA Games, National Australia Bank (ASX: NAB), Suncorp Bank (ASX: SUN) and Shazam as attendees and/or presenters.

#### IDT Australia (IDT)

Drug developer and manufacturer IDT has received a \$265,937 Victorian Government grant.

#### **Rewardle Holdings (RXH)**

Heralding 2M registered members for the company's payments product.

#### Resources

## Troy Resources (\* TRY)

Chasing \$40.7M across an \$18.4M institutional placement and \$22.3M one-for-5.5 entitlement offer, each at 36c per share. The institutional placement and institutional component of the entitlement offer are expected to be completed today. The retail entitlement offer is planned for 13 September – 4 October. TRY called a trading halt post-trade yesterday, having settled at 44c, 3.5c above last week's close.

## MacPhersons Resources (\* MRP)

WA goldfields Boorara gold project trial open pit mining underway. Pit completion is anticipated by the end of the month. 30,000t of ore is expected to be processed in Coolgardie over 10 - 12 days.

#### **OceanaGold Corporation (OGC)**

South Carolina (US) Haile gold project underground operation preliminary economic assessment (PEA) outcomes lodged.

# Perseus Mining (\* PRU) / Cardinal Resources (\* CDV)

'Africa Down Under' conference presentation lodged this morning. PRU is presenting this morning and CDV tomorrow.

## Zinc of Ireland (ZMI)

Assays anticipated next month, but logs are indicating shallow sulphide mineralisation has been intersected in maiden drilling within the Kildare project, Ireland. In the meantime, ZMI has raised a total \$2.3M in July and August placements at 0.08c and 2.4c respectively. ZMI traded at 2.2c – 2.3c yesterday.

## Alara Resources (\* AUQ)

Oman Al Hadeetha copper project update, including potential finance support, lodged post-trade yesterday. AUQ recouped 10.5% yesterday, settling at 2.1c.

## BC Iron (BCI)

Corporate presentation and company update lodged post-trade yesterday.

#### Energy

## AGL Energy (AGL)

CEO Andy Vesey is a guest speaker at a CEDA event in Brisbane today.

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## Halts

Company		Resuming
Gulf Manganese Corporation	GMC	8 Sep
HJB Corporation	HJB	8 Sep
Krakatoa Resources	KTA	8 Sep
Latitude Consolidated	LCD	8 Sep
NEXTDC Ltd	NXT	8 Sep
Troy Resources	TRY	9 Sep
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Company	Code	Since
ATC Alloys	ATA	2 Sep
Aura Energy	AEE	7 Sep
Australia China Holdings	AAK	25 Aug
Diploma Group	DGX	1 Sep
Excalibur Mining Corporation	EXM	15 Aug
G8 Communications	G8C	10 Aug
India Resources	IRL	19 Aug
McAleese Ltd	MCS	29 Aug
MCS Services	MSG	5 Sep
New Guinea Energy	NGE	12 Aug
Topbetta Holdings	TBH	18 Aug

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Code	Ex-Div	Div (c)	Fr (%)	Yield (%)
AHY	Today	4	50	6.83
APO	Today	6.5	100	3.49
BFC	Today	0.6	0	1.46
BXB	Today	14.5	25	2.39
СОН	Today	120	100	1.65
CTE	Today	0.5	0	4.55
СТХ	Today	50	100	3.54
EVT	Today	31	100	3.38
IEL	Today	5.5	35	1.26
IGO	Today	2	100	0.51
МНЈ	Today	2.5	100	1.42
PFL	Today	25	100	4.58
PGF	Today	1.5	100	3.41
PPG	Today	1.5	100	5.29
QAN	Today	7	100	2.06
SDG	Today	5	100	4.86
SPO	Today	5	30	8.25
AEF	Tomorrow	180	100	3.51
AIZ	Tomorrow	~33.58	0	8.18
ARA	Tomorrow	1	0	2.56
ASX	Tomorrow	99	30	3.86
AVJ	Tomorrow	3.5	30	7.30
BGL	Tomorrow	1.3	100	1.44
BPT	Tomorrow	0.5	100	0.91
CLT	Tomorrow	1.25	100	5.10
CTD	Tomorrow	15	100	1.35
FXL	Tomorrow	7.25	100	5.94
GRR	Tomorrow	0.5	100	4.35
HIT	Tomorrow	2	100	3.33
ILU	Tomorrow	3	100	3.52
IRE	Tomorrow	16	60	3.55
KME	Tomorrow	1	0	4.55
LBL	Tomorrow	0.2	100	3.64



LIC	Tomorrow	1.5	100	0.78
MEQ	Tomorrow	~3.26	0	0.00
MLB	Tomorrow	2	100	3.11
MND	Tomorrow	32	100	6.98
NHF	Tomorrow	9	100	3.26
OZL	Tomorrow	6	0	3.16
PME	Tomorrow	1.5	0	0.49
RCG	Tomorrow	3	100	3.15
SDI	Tomorrow	1.2	100	2.58
SHL	Tomorrow	44	30	3.29
SKT	Tomorrow	~14.39	0	5.91
TCN	Tomorrow	0.35	0	5.56
TGG	Tomorrow	4.5	55.55	3.66
TGR	Tomorrow	7.5	100	3.66
TME	Tomorrow	~8.51	0	2.81
WOW	Tomorrow	33	100	3.19
BSL	Fri	3	100	0.69
EPW	Fri	6	0	11.77
FLK	Fri	2.5	100	2.53
HHL	Fri	14.6	100	6.34
INM	Fri	~45.38	0	1.78
IRI	Fri	3.5	60	2.75
PTL	Fri	1.95	100	4.68
RFG	Fri	14.5	100	3.99
SFR	Fri	9	100	2.04
SHJ	Fri	2.5	0	1.98
VII	Fri	3	0	15.38
WDE	Fri	2	100	3.85