

Markets

SFE 200 Futures (9.30am AEDT)	5672	-24	-0.4
NZX 50	8730	27	0.3
DJIA Futures	24324	-141	-0.6
S&P 500 Futures	2633	-16	-0.6
NASDAQ Futures	6521	-55	-0.8

Local Markets Commentary

The Australian market commences Friday trade on negative overnight European equities trade leads, following the US Thanksgiving holiday, and ahead of limited US trade tonight.

In addition, **Japan's** markets are **closed today**, due to a public holiday.

In overnight commodities trade, **oil** prices were reported to have closed mixed, WTI falling and Brent slightly higher.

US (December) **gold** futures were reported slightly higher from limited trade.

Iron ore (China port 62% Fe) fell further.

LME **copper** turned modestly higher. **Nickel** continued lower and **aluminium** continued so.

The **\$A** was mostly contained in a relatively narrow range, after trading at ~US72.45c early yesterday evening, but has gained this morning.

Locally today, another band of high-profile domestic stocks hosts **AGMs** and provides trading updates.

DLX and **RHL** trade ex-dividend. *Please see pp2-3 for detailed lists.*

Overseas Markets

INDEX	CLOSE	+/-	%
Dow Jones	24465	Public	Holiday
S&P 500	2650		
NASDAQ	6972		
FTSE 100	6960	-90	-1.3
DAX 30	11138	-106	-0.9
Shanghai Comp	2645	-6	-0.2

Overseas Markets Commentary

Major European equities markets opened lower overnight, declining further during choppy trade, amid geopolitical bargaining and threats, pregnant with potential material consequences for international economic health.

US equities markets were closed for the Thanksgiving public holiday. They will trade tonight, but close early, and volumes are expected to be thin.

US administrative commentary did not stop during Thanksgiving, the president threatening a completed US-Mexico border closure, specifically mentioning trade impacts.

Meanwhile, the **European Commission** (EC) prepared to enable euro zone nations to consider **Italy's** proposed budget, after this week determining penalties were appropriate.

Italy repeated its stance that the debt-growing plans were necessary to produce ultimate national growth,

Today's Stock Watch

Brickworks Ltd (BKW)

Proposing to outlay \$A151M for Istock Plc US subsidiary Glen-Gery.

Presentation lodged pre-trade, ahead of a 10am AEDT analyst briefing.

Kathmandu Holdings (KMD)

Anticipating a 'strong' first-half profit improvement compared with last year, pending summer promotions.

8.4% total sales (constant fx) growth for the 15 weeks to 11 November.

6.3% higher same store sales, 7.1% within Australia and 5.2% in New Zealand.

This morning's AGM materials lodged.

Automotive Holdings Group (AHG)

Disappointing trading conditions for the first four months of FY 2019, operating NPAT (\$11.7M) down 45.1% against a year ago.

Consequently, anticipating \$56M - \$59M full year operating NPAT. Today's AGM materials lodged.

Accent Group (AX1)

Expecting 15% - 20% higher H1 FY 2019 EBITDA.

Margins are continuing to improve as are digital and new store sales.

2.5% overall like-for-like sales growth for the first 20 weeks of FY 2019.

Today's AGM materials lodged.

Webster Ltd (WBA)

53.5% lower, \$27.09M full year NPAT. 24.8% lower, \$207.26M revenue. Flat, 3c fully franked final dividend. 86c NTA, against 68c a year ago.

DigitalX Ltd (DCC)

Establishing a 50:50 security token JV with Americas Executions.

Fatfish Blockchain (FFG)

US-headquartered Arena Investors will subscribe for up \$A10M worth of FFG convertible notes.

FFG settled at 1.7c yesterday, after closing out last week at 2.4c.

Botanix Pharmaceuticals (BOT)

\$A4.6M R&D incentive tax rebate in hand.

Costa Group (CGC)

Macquarie has re-rated CGC as outperform, from neutral.

Resources

Bluescope Steel (BSL)

Confirming FY 2019 guidance, including 10% higher 1H underlying EBIT, compared with 2H FY 2018's \$745M.

Demand remains strong in Australia, New Zealand and the US.

Today's AGM materials lodged.

Evolution Mining (EVN)

Macquarie has re-rated EVN as neutral, from outperform.

Energy

Fortescue Metals Group (FMG)

Partnering with the CSIRO to support the development of a domestic vehicle-related hydrogen industry.

but sanctions will be imposed if Italy's euro zone colleagues agree with the EC.

The **UK** and EC in the meantime agreed on the draft text of arrangements for the UK separation from the European Union (EU), paving the way for EU leaders to meet Sunday to consider the draft.

Even if approval is secured, a final deal is not assured until agreement comes from each EU parliament, including the UK parliament.

Nonetheless, following last night's announcement, the British pound appreciated 0.8% higher against the \$US, and euro 1%.

In overnight data and report releases, **European Central Bank** (ECB) October policy meeting minutes confirmed plans to halt monthly bond purchase from year's end.

Regional and international risks to economic progress were again considered, however.

A euro zone consumer confidence reading dropped to a 20-month low of -3.9 from -2.7.

Tonight in the US, Markit releases its initial November PMI estimates.

In addition, first sales figures for 'Black Friday' trade are expected, together with a whirl of 'Cyber Monday' promotions.

Elsewhere, a final September quarter GDP reading is due for Germany.

UK PM Theresa May and EC president Jean-Claude Juncker will again meet, 6pm Brussels time Saturday, ahead of Sunday's EU consideration of the draft arrangements for the UK's separation from the EU.

This is claimed to be due in part to at least France and Spain propositioning for some changes to the draft wording. PM May spoke of 'remaining issues which we have discussed'.

US equities markets will be resume trade tonight, but will close early.

Commodities

COMMODITY	CLOSE	\$US/	+/-	%
Gold (NY) (Dec)	1228	oz	0.3	0.1
Silver (NY) (Dec)	14.6	oz	-0.03	-0.2
Gold (LON)	1226	oz		
Platinum	846	oz	2	0.2
WTI Crude (Dec)	53.85	bbbl	-0.78	-1.4
Brent Crude (Jan)	63.6	bbbl	0.14	0.2
Iron Ore (CHN port 62%)	72.2	t	-1.9	-2.5
Copper (LME,3mth,PM)	6255	t	20	0.3
Nickel	10970	t	-50	-0.5
Aluminium	1947	t	-7	-0.4
Lead	1995	t	-11	-0.6
Zinc	2582	t	14	0.6
Tin	19250	t	10	0.1
CBT Wheat (Dec)	5.07	bshl		

Commodities Commentary

Oil – Saudi Arabia's energy minister confirmed overnight that the kingdom had not anticipated the US extent of waivers against Iran crude trade sanctions, that consequently January demand would be lower than Saudi Arabia had anticipated, and that the kingdom would respond accordingly.

US energy and metals trading sessions were truncated due to Thanksgiving, thin volumes producing volatile trade and an ultimate WTI drop.

Pre-Open Announcements

Michael Hill International (MHJ)

Company secretary Katherine Hammond has resigned, effective 1 March 2019.

AuMake International (AU8)

Sales and business update, lodged this morning.

AU8 expects mouth spray shipments to China to commence by 31 March 2019.

Resources

Centaurus Metals (* CTM)

Offloading the Brazil Conquista iron ore project for ~\$A185,000 cash plus a 12% production royalty..

Coppermoly Ltd (COY)

Chasing \$3.21M in a one-for-three entitlement offer at 0.7c per share.

COY last traded at 1.2c.

Trade remains suspended.

Reports & Events

(selected scheduled)

When	Company	Report/Event
Today	AX1	AGM
	AHG	AGM
	BPT	AGM
	BSL	AGM
	HIL	AGM
	IGO	AGM
	IPH	AGM
	KMD	AGM; Trade stats
	OEC	AGM
	ORE	AGM
	PRU	AGM
	QMS	AGM
	RRL	AGM
	VRL	AGM
WEC	AGM	
Mon	AIA	Investor day; Oct Interim
	FPH	
Tue	AGI	AGM
	BKW	AGM
	HVN	AGM
	LYC	AGM
	RIC	AGM
	SEK	AGM
Wed	APT	AGM
	IFL	AGM
	PLS	AGM
Thu	ALL	Full year
	BOQ	AGM
	EHE	AGM
	FNP	AGM
	GTY	AGM
	GTG	AGM

Gold – Comex gold trade closed early due to Thanksgiving, prices pushed and pulled by news and commentary regarding the UK-EU separation plan and Italy’s budget proposal.

The US president repeated a threat to hold back government funding approvals next month, should he not be happy with border security spending, including in part for a wall between the US and Mexico.

Base metals – restrained, thin-volume trade reported overnight, with some sentiment overhang reported from continued US-China accusations, this time at a Wednesday WTO meeting.

PMI estimates for the euro zone and US today and tonight could influence some of tonight’s trade.

Yesterday, **Japan** reported October CPI had risen 1.4% year-on-year, following a 1.2% September gain. For the month, October inflation rose 0.2%.

Exchange Rates

CURRENCIES	LAST	+/-	%
AUD – USD	0.7254	0.0000	0.01
EUR – USD	1.1405	0.0001	0.01

US Data Tonight

Markit PMIs (init) Nov

Other Overseas Data Today & Tonight

Germany	GDP (final)	Sep Q
Germany	PMIs (init)	Nov
Euro zone	PMIs (init)	Oct

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MYX	AGM
PMV	AGM
RFG	AGM
QHL	AGM
SFR	AGM
SHV	AGM
SPO	AGM

Fri	BD1	AGM
	MYR	AGM
	RES	AGM
	SCO	AGM

Trading Halts

Company	Code	Resuming
Department 13 International	D13	23 Nov
Inabox Group	IAB	23 Nov
Pointerra Ltd	3DP	27 Nov

Suspensions (select)

Company	Code	Since
Birimian Ltd	BGS	15 Nov
Energy Technologies	EGY	12 Nov
Lindian Resources	LIN	5 Nov
NTM Gold	NTM	22 Nov
Pelican Resources	PEL	31 Oct
Planet Gas	PGS	23 Nov
RCR Tomlinson	RCR	14 Nov
Tag Pacific	TAG	22 Nov
VPCL Ltd	VPC	19 Nov

Ex-Dividends

Code	Ex-Div	Div (c)	Franking (%)	Yield (%)
DLX	Today	14	100	3.99
RHL	Today	6	100	4.81
WHF	Today	9.75	100	4.23
CIE	Mon	1.55	50	7.40
IFT	Mon	5.5	0	4.59
OFX	Tue	2.64	100	3.07
CVL	Wed	0.59	100	1.18
GNC	Wed	8	100	2.08
ALQ	Thu (29 Nov)	11	20	2.75
GZL	Thu	10	100	5.22
TNE	Thu	8.16	75	1.53
MEC	3 Dec	1	100	2.01
AYK	6 Dec	11	100	4.37
AYZ	6 Dec	42	100	3.85
PDL	6 Dec	30	15	6.40
WBA	6 Dec	3	100	tbc



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