

**Markets**

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|--------------------------------------|-------|-----|------------|
| <b>SFE 200 Futures</b> (9.30am AEST) | 5397  | 124 | <b>2.4</b> |
| <b>NZX 50</b>                        | 10039 | 275 | <b>2.8</b> |
| <b>DJIA Futures</b>                  | 22517 | 22  | 0.1        |
| <b>S&amp;P 500 Futures</b>           | 2651  | 4   | 0.1        |
| <b>NASDAQ Futures</b>                | 8037  | 1   | 0.0        |

**Local Markets Commentary**

The Australian market commences today's trade with outcomes from today's Reserve Bank of Australia (RBA)'s due this afternoon, following a batch of key domestic data reports from pre-trade through late-morning and sharp overnight gains across major international equities markets.

Post-US trade, the US administration revealed it was considering a Treasury bond sale to bolster Covid-19 management funding.

US equities futures are little changed this morning.

**Regionally today, Japan's Cabinet is expected to approve an up to ¥60 trillion economic support package, designed to be implemented in two stages.**

**National February household spending is also due today, and in late-ASX trade, a February leading economic index.**

**China is expected to report March foreign reserves anytime from post-ASX trade today.**

**China's markets will trade for the first full session today following People's Bank of China moves late-Friday which the bank said would effectively prop financial sector liquidity by 400B yuan (~\$US56B).**

**Locally, the Reserve Bank of Australia (RBA), announces monetary policy meeting outcomes 2.30pm AEST.**

**February trade figures are due 11.30am.**

**Pre-trade, the AiG's March services sector activity index has been reported at 38.7 from 47.0.**

**A weekly consumer sentiment reading is also due pre-trade.**

In overnight commodities trade, **oil** turned and fell.

US **gold** futures (CME April) picked up the pace of Friday's rise.

**Iron ore** (Nymex CFR China, 62% Fe) also extended Friday's gain, but slightly, remaining below \$US82.50/t.

LME (3mth evening) **copper** and **nickel** swung higher, nickel just modestly. **Aluminium** continued lower.

The **\$A** was pushed to ~\$US60.90c after rising to ~\$US60.65c early yesterday evening.

**Overseas Markets**

| INDEX              | CLOSE | +/-  | %          |
|--------------------|-------|------|------------|
| <b>Dow Jones</b>   | 22680 | 1627 | <b>7.7</b> |
| <b>S&amp;P 500</b> | 2664  | 175  | <b>7.0</b> |
| <b>NASDAQ</b>      | 7913  | 540  | <b>7.3</b> |
| <b>FTSE 100</b>    | 5582  | 167  | <b>3.1</b> |

**Australia – RBA policy meeting outcomes – 2.30pm AEST;**

**February trade balance – 11.30am AEST**

**March services sector activity index - 38.7 from 47.0.**

The **ASX** will be **closed Friday** this week  
and **Monday** next week (13 April), for **Easter**

**Tomorrow's trades** settle **Tuesday** next week  
**Thursday's** settle **Wednesday** next week

**Today's Stock Watch**
**Flight Centre (FLT)**

Resuming from suspended trade with \$A562M in hand from a \$A7.20-per-share fully underwritten placement and institutional entitlement offer.

\$A138M retail offer scheduled for 15 April – 1 May.

FLT last traded at ~\$8.92.

**Computershare Ltd (CPU)**

Teleconference scheduled to commence 9.30am AEST.

Revising FY20 management EPS guidance from a 15% decline to a 20% fall. Update lodged in presentation format pre-trade.

**Reece Group (REH)**

Resuming from a trading halt with \$A600M in hand from a \$7.60 per share institutional placement and entitlement offer.

A retail entitlement offer is scheduled for 15 – 24 April.

An SPP, at the same price, is also planned.

REH traded at ~\$8.6335 - ~\$9.4780 last week.

**Tabcorp Holdings (TAH)**

Additional Covid-19 management measures lodged this morning. \$649M cash and \$100M undrawn facilities 3 April.

**PolyNovo Ltd (PNV)**

March quarter sales rose to \$4.49M from \$1.69M a year earlier.

March sales totalled \$1.76M, against \$643,000. US March sales represented a monthly record. In addition, the results of the CE Mark (European certification) burn study for NovoSorb BTM are in hand, almost four months after NovoSorb nonetheless achieved CE Mark approval.

Some funding is dedicated to vaccine research. NCM worldwide operations are continuing. Telfer & Havieron FIFO suspended and rosters altered.

**Resources**
**Newcrest Mining (NCM)**

\$US1.4B cash and \$US1.4B of undrawn bank facilities at 31 March. Setting up a \$A20M project host communities support fund. ~50% of the funding is earmarked for helping PNG manage Covid-19. Some funding is dedicated to vaccine research. NCM worldwide operations are continuing. Telfer & Havieron FIFO suspended and rosters altered.



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### Overseas Markets Commentary

Major European and US equities markets swung higher on opening overnight and surged, despite some data releases that indicated more severe Covid-19 economic impacts than forecast, and official confirmation the UK PM had been admitted to intensive care.

Meanwhile, some Covid-19 modelling pointed to a degree of virus control in some international regions.

Reports persisted also, that OPEC+ behind-the-scene negotiations were progressing towards an adjustment of global oil supply, and a possible announcement overnight Thursday this week, in the face of much reduced demand.

Earlier yesterday, Japan's PM revealed proposed economic support measures worth up to a combined ¥60 trillion.

Meanwhile, the US Federal Reserve announced chair Jerome Powell would present a webcast economic update statement Thursday (10am ET). Minutes of March FOMC (policy committee) deliberations are due in the US Wednesday (early Thursday AEST).

Among overnight data releases, Sentix released a euro zone investor confidence reading of -42.9 against expectations of -37.5.

A March construction PMI slumped to 33.5 from 52.5.

In Germany, February factory orders fell 1.4% for the month after jumping 4.8% in January.

The national March construction PMI dropped to 42 from 55.8.

In the UK, March new car sales plunged a sobering 44.4% year-on-year, after a 2.9% February decline.

The March construction PMI fell to 39.3 from 52.6.

Tonight in the US, economic optimism, consumer credit and job openings reports are due.

Elsewhere, Germany reports February industrial production.

### Commodities

| COMMODITY                | CLOSE  | \$US/ | +/-   | %    |
|--------------------------|--------|-------|-------|------|
| Gold (NY) (Jun)          | 1693.9 | oz    | 48.20 | 2.9  |
| Silver (NY) (May)        | 15.169 | oz    | 0.675 | 4.7  |
| Gold (LON) (3 Apr)       | 1613   | oz    |       |      |
| Platinum                 | 739    | oz    | 13    | 1.8  |
| WTI Crude (May)          | 26.08  | bbbl  | -2.26 | -8.0 |
| Brent Crude (Jun)        | 33.05  | bbbl  | -1.06 | -3.1 |
| Iron Ore (NYMEX,CHN,62%) | 82.49  | t     | 0.11  | 0.1  |
| Copper (LME,3mth Ind,PM) | 4893   | t     | 42    | 0.9  |
| Nickel                   | 11280  | t     | 45    | 0.4  |
| Aluminium                | 1474   | t     | -7    | -0.5 |
| Lead                     | 1680   | t     | 20    | 1.2  |
| Zinc                     | 1894   | t     | 15    | 0.8  |
| Tin                      | 14280  | t     | 125   | 0.9  |

### Commodities Commentary

Oil – the OPEC+ emergency meeting initially planned for overnight (last night) was confirmed for Thursday, amid reports

## Pre-Open Announcements

### ARB Corporation (\*\* ARB)

Additional Covid-19 management measures lodged pre-trade.

### Nuheara Ltd (\* NUH)

Benefiting from online interest in IQbuds Max while many hearing product stores are closed under Covid-19 restrictions. Confirming orders can be processed for multiple regions now that several regulatory certifications, including FCC (US) and CE (euro zone and UK), are in hand.

### Althea Group (AGH)

AGH subsidiary Peak Processing Solutions has completed the final step in its application to Health Canada for a standard processing licence for a completed 3716sq m facility, designed to produce a range of cannabis products.

AGH has completed its spend on the facility, holds \$15M cash and has no debt.

Peak Processing revenue has been projected to reach \$25M within 18 months of the licence grant.

### Rectifier Technologies (RFT)

Approval in hand for an exemption from select Covid-19 - related restrictions, effectively enabling RFT to resume limited operations at the company's primary manufacturing facility in Malaysia.

### Noxopharm Ltd (NOX)

Two poster presentations and an online abstract publication will promote NOX trial statistics at the American Society of Clinical Oncology (ASCO) annual meeting (virtual), scheduled for 29 May – 2 June.

Details of promotions lodged this morning.

### Swick Mining Services (SWK)

Launching a \$1M on-market share buy-back, and paying the 0.3c-per-share interim dividend as planned Friday next week.

### Wisetech Global (WTC)

~28,000 WTC shares are due for release from escrow post-ASX trade 15 April (Wednesday next week).

## Energy

### 88 Energy (\*\* 88E)

Commercialisation yet to be established, and Premier Oil is seeking to withdraw from the JV, but for now, 88E is confirming the Alaska North Slope Charlie-1 appraisal well hosts large quantities of condensate.

Sampling and logging details, plus consideration of potential plans, lodged this morning.

Premier agreed in November 2019 to cover well costs of up to \$US23M. 88E 30% working interest.

### Oil Search (\*\* OSH)

Business update presentation lodged this morning.

Remaining in a trading halt while conducting a \$1.16B



of progress on output curb negotiations.

Some reports claimed no deal would be reached however, unless co-operation from a group extending beyond the current OPEC+ alliance members, including the US, was achieved.

Over the weekend, Norway had suggested it could voluntarily pull back on output.

Meanwhile, stockpiles at the US Cushing storage hub were reported to have grown by 5.8MMbbl over the past week.

Among the forecasters, Rystad Energy predicted a 23MMbbl international surplus for this month.

**Gold** – propelled higher overnight, on mixed commentary and views on Covid-19 modelling and predictions for this week, plus forecasts of long-term global economic distress.

In addition, physical demand for gold continued to be reported as ‘strong’.

The Reserve Bank of Australia’s (RBA) post-policy meeting statement today, policy meeting minutes out of the Federal Reserve mid-week, and the Fed chair’s Thursday webcast are expected to influence some trade considerations through the Easter-shortened week.

Overnight, US futures notably settled at an ~seven-year peak, with forecasters predicting both further gains and additional volatility.

**Base metals** – improved risk sentiment across major equities markets appeared to extend to some overnight commodities trade, but stockpiles data also appeared in play.

In addition, Japan’s government had earlier yesterday revealed a significant economic support package that is expected to be approved by Cabinet members today.

In corporate and production news, Antofagasta announced it was suspending the Los Pelambres *copper* project expansion for four months.

Aluminum Corp of China (Chalco) revealed it was considering cutting *aluminium* and *alumina* production, in part by bringing forward some maintenance.

In the meantime, LME *copper* stockpiles were reported lower, at 217,475t.

*Nickel* surpluses were predicted to dwindle on reduced stainless steel mill demand.

### Exchange Rates

| CURRENCIES       | LAST   | +/-    | %    |
|------------------|--------|--------|------|
| <b>AUD – USD</b> | 0.6098 | 0.0011 | 0.18 |
| <b>EUR – USD</b> | 1.0796 | 0.0004 | 0.04 |

### Australian Data Today

|             |                                       |       |
|-------------|---------------------------------------|-------|
| RBA         | Policy meeting outcomes               | 7 Apr |
| ABS         | Trade balance                         | Feb   |
| AiG         | PSI                                   | Apr   |
| ANZ/ RoyMgn | Consumer sentiment                    | 5 Apr |
| RBA         | Official reserve assets (4.30pm AEST) | Mar   |

fundraiser, comprising a \$A760M institutional placement, \$A400M one-for-eight entitlement offer comprising institutional and retail components, and a PNG shareholder entitlement offer, each at \$A2.10 per share. OSH traded at \$2.22 - \$3.24 last week.

### Trading Halts

| Company                        | Code | Resuming |
|--------------------------------|------|----------|
| Alterra Ltd                    | 1AG  | 7 Apr    |
| Anson Resources                | ASN  | 7 Apr    |
| Blackstone Minerals            | BSX  | 7 Apr    |
| Consolidated Zinc              | CZL  | 7 Apr    |
| eSense-Lab Ltd                 | ESE  | 7 Apr    |
| Indiana Resources              | IDA  | 7 Apr    |
| Peak Resources                 | PEK  | 7 Apr    |
| Anova Metals                   | AWV  | 8 Apr    |
| Auckland International Airport | AIA  | 8 Apr    |
| Marmota Ltd                    | MEU  | 8 Apr    |
| Nanoveu Ltd                    | NVU  | 8 Apr    |
| Predictive Discovery           | PDI  | 8 Apr    |
| Davenport Resources            | DAV  | 14 Apr   |
| Oil Search                     | OSH  | 14 Apr   |

### Suspensions (select)

| Company                        | Code | Since  |
|--------------------------------|------|--------|
| 8IP Emerging Companies         | 8EC  | 16 Mar |
| Abilene Oil & Gas              | ABL  | 3 Apr  |
| Cellmid Ltd                    | CDY  | 6 Apr  |
| DXN Ltd                        | DXN  | 6 Apr  |
| Flight Centre Travel Group     | FLT  | 23 Mar |
| G8 Education                   | GEM  | 6 Apr  |
| G Medical Innovations Holdings | GMV  | 31 Mar |
| Graphex Mining                 | GPX  | 25 Mar |
| MGC Pharmaceuticals            | MXC  | 23 Mar |
| Middle Island Resources        | MDI  | 6 Apr  |
| P2P Transport                  | P2P  | 1 Apr  |
| Pacific Star Network           | PNW  | 20 Mar |
| Paradigm Biopharmaceuticals    | PAR  | 6 Apr  |
| Petsec Energy                  | PSA  | 3 Apr  |
| Prospect Resources             | PSC  | 23 Mar |
| Pyrolyx AG                     | PLX  | 24 Mar |
| Respiri Ltd                    | RSH  | 19 Mar |
| Southern Cross Media Group     | SXL  | 25 Mar |
| TBG Diagnostics                | TDL  | 19 Mar |
| Titan Minerals                 | TTM  | 1 Apr  |

**US Data Tonight**

|                            |     |
|----------------------------|-----|
| JOLTS job openings         | Feb |
| Consumer credit            | Feb |
| IBD/TIPP economic optimism | Apr |

**Other Overseas Data Today & Tonight**

|                |                              |     |
|----------------|------------------------------|-----|
| <i>China</i>   | <i>Foreign reserves</i>      | Mar |
| <b>Japan</b>   | Household Spending           | Feb |
| Japan          | Leading economic index (3pm) | Feb |
| <b>Germany</b> | Industrial production        | Feb |

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**Ex-Dividends**

| Code | Ex-Div   | Div (c) | Franking (%) | Yield (%) |
|------|----------|---------|--------------|-----------|
| GOW  | Tomorrow | 5       | 100          | 6.64      |
| PIA  | Tomorrow | 2.5     | 100          | 7.45      |
| RIC  | Tomorrow | 1.5     | 100          | 5.52      |
| ABC  | Thu      | 5       | 100          | 0.00      |
| BKW  | Thu      | 20      | 100          | 4.32      |
| TPM  | Thu      | 3       | 100          | 0.55      |
| FGX  | 15 Apr   | 2.6     | 100          | 5.16      |
| WAA  | 15 Apr   | 3       | 100          | 7.02      |
| WGB  | 15 Apr   | 3       | 100          | 1.13      |
| WLE  | 15 Apr   | 3.25    | 100          | 5.43      |
| EAS  | 16 Apr   | 1.5     | 100          | 4.17      |

**Reports & Events**

(selected)

| When            | Company | Report/Event                |
|-----------------|---------|-----------------------------|
| <b>Tomorrow</b> | BOQ     | Interim (audio w/cast 10am) |
|                 | RIO     | London AGM                  |
|                 | SCG     | AGM                         |
| <b>Thu</b>      | ILU     | AGM                         |