

Markets

SFE 200 Futures (9.30am AEST)	6603	49	0.8
NZX 50	11197	85	0.8
DJIA Futures	31330	-37	-0.1
S&P 500 Futures	3898	-7	-0.2
NASDAQ Futures	12106	-33	-0.3

Local Markets Commentary

The Australian market opens Friday trade with key data due domestically and regionally, the UK PM having resigned overnight and a focus on geopolitical relations, ahead of material data out of the US tonight.

International equities markets rallied overnight.

Locally today, the Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS) releases a **business turnover** indicator report for May at **11.30am** AEST.

Regionally, **Japan** is scheduled to report **May household spending** and **bank lending** just prior to the ASX open.

The **G20** foreign ministers' forum continues in Bali before concluding tonight.

Post-ASX trade yesterday, **China** reported \$US3.1071 trillion worth of **foreign reserves** for June, against \$US3.128 trillion for May, and following forecasts for \$US3.2 trillion.

China is scheduled to release June **producer prices** and **CPI growth** over the weekend.

In overnight commodities trade, **oil** seesawed to a decisive gain.

US **gold** futures turned slightly higher to trade above \$US1739.5/oz.

Iron ore (Nymex CFR China, 62% Fe) also swung higher, surpassing \$US115.10/t.

LME (3mth evening) **copper** swung markedly higher. **Aluminium** extended Wednesday's gain. **Nickel** continued Wednesday's turn lower.

The **\$A** appreciated to ~US68.40c after trading at ~US68.15c early yesterday evening.

Overseas Markets

INDEX	CLOSE	+/-	%
Dow Jones	31385	347	1.1
S&P 500	3903	58	1.5
NASDAQ	11621	259	2.3
FTSE 100	7189	81	1.1
DAX 30	12843	249	2.0
Shanghai Comp	3364	9	0.3

Overseas Markets Commentary

Major European, UK and US equities markets gained in concert overnight.

*** Gold exploration listing – midday AEST – R8R ***

Today's Stock Watch
GQG Partners (GQG)

\$US86.7B FUM at 30 June, against \$US94.6B at 31 May.

Firebrick Pharma (FRE)

The TGA (Therapeutic Goods Administration) is standing by its decision not to approve FRE's Nasodine nasal spray, despite FRE's appeal. FRE intends to apply to the Administrative Appeals Tribunal for an independent review.

FRE is resuming from a trading halt. Last traded at 26c.

Resources
Regener8 Resources (* R8R) / GTI Energy (GTR)

Exploration company R8R is scheduled to list on the ASX **midday** AEST, following a \$4.538M IPO at 20c per share ~24.4M quoted shares.

R8R purchased the Niagara (Kookynie) gold project from GTR for 5M shares (at 20c each), 1.5M performance rights and \$150,000 cash. GTR holds 15.87% of R8R.

Chalice Mining (CHN)

Webinar scheduled for **11.30am** AEST, focusing on WA Julimar exploration, including results lodged pre-trade yesterday.

Webinar registration link lodged post-trade yesterday.

In addition, CHN has boosted the project's Gonville resource to 350Mt @ 0.96g/t 3E, 0.16% Ni, 0.10% Cu and 0.15% Co, for 11Moz 3E, 560,000t Ni, 360,000t Cu and 54,000t Co.

~70% of the resource qualifies for indicated status. Further, 90% of the resource above 250m classifies as indicated. In addition, the resource remains open at depth, and to the north along strike.

Gonville scoping study results are anticipated by the end of September.

TNG Ltd (TNG)

The Australian Government export credit agency Export Finance Australia has issued a conditional letter of support for up to \$A300M of debt funding in support of the Mount Peake vanadium-titanium-iron project.

Jervois Global (JRV)

Sao Miguel Paulista (SMP) nickel cobalt refinery operating permit in hand, ahead of JRV's planned acquisition of SMP.

Vital Metals (VML)

43.7% TREO and 75.2% TREO concentrate achieved in the initial commissioning trial at the Saskatoon rare earth extraction facility, Canada.

Two Federal Reserve officials promoted a substantial rate increase from this month's policy meeting, supporting the Fed chair's view that the need for inflation to be curbed outweighed the risk of some economic damage.

The **European Central Bank** (ECB) had earlier released the minutes from its June policy meeting, these revealing the majority of policy makers favoured a 0.25% initial rate increase, but that others had advocated for a larger rise.

In the **UK**, the PM resigned but opted to remain as caretaker PM until a new PM was appointed.

Among overnight **data** releases, **Germany's** May industrial production rose 0.2%, defying forecasts of a 1.5% drop following a 1.3% April improvement.

In the **UK**, a house price index indicated June prices were 13% above those for June 2021, having risen 0.8% during the month.

Also overnight, a 10-year OAT auction in France produced a 1.92% yield from 1.72%.

A 30-year government bond auction in Spain resulted in a 3.192% yield from 1.903%, while a 10-year auction recorded a 2.454% yield from 2.552%.

Yesterday afternoon, a 30-year government bond auction in Japan had delivered a 1.234% yield from 1.049%.

In the **US** overnight, May trade figures included an \$US85.5B deficit, largely in line with expectations.

Weekly new unemployment claims tallied 235,000 against 231,000 the previous week and following forecasts for 230,000.

A June job cuts report estimated 32,517 planned layoffs, against a predicted 20,000, following May's 20,712.

Tonight in the US, national June employment statistics, finalised May wholesale inventories and a May consumer credit report are due.

Elsewhere, Russia is scheduled to report June inflation growth.

Commodities

COMMODITY	CLOSE	\$US/	+/-	%
Gold (NY) (Aug)	1739.7	oz	3.20	0.2
Silver (NY) (Sep)	19.19	oz	0.03	0.2
Gold (LON) (6 Jul)	1754	oz		
Platinum	856	oz	19	2.2
WTI Crude (NYMEX Aug)	102.73	bbl	4.20	4.3
Brent Crude (ICE EUR Sep)	104.65	bbl	3.96	3.9
Iron Ore (NYMEX CHN port;62%Fe)	115.14	t	2.76	2.4
Copper (LME 3mth Evening)	7822	t	302	4.0
Nickel	21548	t	-311	-1.4
Aluminium	2445	t	31	1.3
Lead	1972	t	5	0.3
Zinc	3103	t	110	3.7
Tin	26008	t	1306	5.3

Commodities Commentary

Oil – prices again swung overnight, pushed by supply concerns, due to a mix of suspended activity, sanctions and increased demand, but also pulled by recession angst.

A weekly US petroleum inventories report, published by government agency the EIA overnight, included an 8.235MMbbl

Pre-Open Announcements

New Zealand Coastal Seafoods (* NZS)

NZS has commercialised a new hydrolysed marine collagen powder for international supply.

Details lodged pre-trade.

NZS is also reporting that it secured \$161,250 worth of initial applications under the recent 0.5c per share SPP.

Peak Asset Management will subscribe for the shortfall (67.75M shares), bringing the amount raised to \$500,000.

NZS has traded at 0.4c – 0.45c over the past two weeks.

AIMS Property Securities Fund (APW)

A group of investors has requested an extraordinary meeting of unitholders to propose that the fund be wound up.

Resources

Vulcan Energy Resources (* VUL)

Collaboration agreement secured with geothermal energy producer Enel Green Power to explore and develop geothermal lithium in Italy.

Update also lodged pre-trade for VUL's zero carbon lithium project, Germany.

Latin Resources (* LRS)

Exercising an option to secure the NSW Peep O'Day gold prospect within which LRS exploration has confirmed high-grade gold at surface.

LRS is paying the vendor 6M shares.

LRS is also contributing \$15,000 towards a security deposit required by the Department for Regional NSW but this will be refunded.

Tempest Minerals (TEM)

Heralding Meleya project Orion target initial drilling which has confirmed copper and other base metals mineralisation.

Also commencing DHEM, for which results and interpretation are expected next month.

Trading Halts

Company	Code	Resuming
Estrella Resources	ESR	8 Jul
Lumos Diagnostics Holdings	LDX	8 Jul
Pancontinental Energy	PCL	8 Jul
IPB Petroleum	IPB	11 Jul
Kingwest Resources	KWR	11 Jul
Pacific Nickel Mines	PNM	11 Jul
Pilot Energy	PGY	11 Jul
Podium Minerals	POD	11 Jul



rise in crude stocks and 2.497MMbbl fall for petrol in storage. Petrol production rose by 849,000bbl/d and crude net imports by 1.609MMbbl/d.

Overnight Wednesday post-ASX trade, the American Petroleum Institute (API) had published a report which included an estimated 3.825MMbbl climb for US crude stocks.

A weekly US petroleum drill rig report is due tonight.

Gold – overnight prices were pushed from 8.5-month lows, but gains were contained with equities firmly in favour.

Tonight's monthly US employment statistics could swing some views tonight, although, following overnight Fed Reserve governor and regional president comments, the \$US is set to remain strong on expectations of a substantial July rate increase.

The European Central Bank's (ECB) June policy meeting minutes, published overnight, contained little that surprised, apart from an indicated push from a minority of policy makers for a greater than 0.25% initial rate increase.

Base metals – a media report claiming China's administrators were looking at a \$US220B stimulus package, helped support demand vies, pushing overnight LME prices higher.

China's June producer prices and CPI, due over the weekend, could produce a little caution tonight and influence some Monday trade.

Exchange Rates

CURRENCIES	LAST	+/-	%
AUD – USD	0.6841	0.0020	0.30
EUR – USD	1.0163	-0.0055	-0.54

Australian Data Today

ABS	Business turnover indicator	May
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US Data Tonight

Employment (incl jobs created, wages, participation)	Jun
Wholesale inventories (final)	May
Consumer credit	May

Other Overseas Data Today & Tonight

Japan	Household spending	May
Japan	Bank lending	May
Japan	Eco watchers survey (3pm)	Jun
Russia	Inflation	Jun

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Suspensions *(selected)*

Company	Code	Since
Arrow Minerals	AMD	6 Jul
Collection House	CLH	1 Jul
Cyprium Metals	CYM	6 Jul
Firefinch Ltd	FFX	29 Jun
GWR Group	GWR	5 Jul
Neurotech International	NTI	6 Jul
Propell Holdings	PHL	6 Jul

Ex-Dividends

Code	Ex-Div	Div @	Franking (%)	Yield (%)
CKF	Today	15	100	2.32
MTS	Tue	11	100	2.44
SDG	Tue	30	100	5.54
TRA	18 Jul	6.35	85	6.38
PSC	21 Jul	77	0	0.00
UWL	22 Jul	10.5	100	0.00
PPS	25 Jul	5	100	0.00

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