



**HD HOT SPOTS OF THE DAY**

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S&P/ASX 200 closed at 5392.8 up 9.9

SPI Futures last at 5363 up 18

Aussie 10 year **bonds** were at 4.16%, 6 points higher yield.

The \$A is at 0.9039us

**TOP TWENTY**

AMP -1c to \$4.55 on 7.9m shares.

ANZ +2c to \$31.64 on 3.5m shares.

BHP +87c to \$38.89 on 11m shares.

BXB -5c to \$8.83 on 6.6m shares

CBA +18c to \$74.53 on 3.7m shares.

CSL +51c to \$69.71 on 692,946 shares

FMG +16c to \$5.98 on 22.9m shares

MQG +40c to \$55.99 on 844,381 shares.

NAB +29c to \$35.04 on 5.6m shares.

ORG -20c to \$14.77 on 1.14m shares

QBE -1c to \$11.38 on 1.14m shares.

RIO +\$1.34 to \$70.88 on 3.67m shares.

STO -3c to \$14.15 on 1.27m shares

SUN steady at \$12.60 on 2.4m shares.

TLS +1c to \$5.23 on 19.3m shares.

WBC -5c to \$32.86 on 3.6m shares.

WDC +1c to \$10.31 on 2.3m shares.

WES -17c to \$43.40 on 1.6m shares.

WOW +7c to \$35.68 on 983,410 shares.

WPL -8c to \$38.50 on 1.76m shares.

#### OUR MARKET MANAGES A SMALL GAIN AT THE CLOSE

Very mixed results, both on the **China** eco front and in the profit reports of Aussie majors, put a lid on our market gains today, up just 9.9 points to 5392.8, flat most of the day. The \$A is at 90.56US c, about in line with last evening.

\*On the **China** eco front, Shanghai's composite index fell after the Central bank drained funds from the banking system, following the new lending record last month, seen as pressuring stocks.

Meanwhile, foreign direct investment in **China** rose 16.1% to \$10.76 **billion** in January from a year earlier, according to a government report released today, Bloomberg reported, that compares with 2.5% median growth expected.

\*The Bank of Japan pledged to expand the monetary base by 60/70 trillion Yen per year, as forecast by all 34 economists surveyed by Bloomberg News. It doubled a core part of a growth lending program to 7 trillion yen and increased the scale of a lending facility.

\*On the Aussie profit reporting front, the big winner was BHP after an excellent interim profit result.

\*Challenger rose 21c to \$6.61 on 3.3m shares on a positive reception to its profit result.

\*Monadelphous reported an excellent profit result, surprising most of the market, rising \$1.51 to \$17.10 on 1.3m shares on the back of it.

\*Amcor fell 45c to \$10.33 on 11.5m shares while offshoot Orora was steady at \$1.35 on 10.4m shares.

\*Coca-Cola was a major weakener, down 63c to \$11.22 on 11m shares.

\*GWA disappointed, down 27c to \$2.88 on 3.2m shares.

Elsewhere,

\*Panoramic rose 16.5c or 70.21% to 40c on 25.2m shares on high Ni, Cu grades in the first hole of a new Savannah North region.

At 4pm AEST the Nikkei Dow futures was up 400 points to 14,810 points, Shanghai CSI physical was down 10.41 points to 2125.01. Hang Seng futures was up 2 points to 22,531 points, S&P futures was up 2 points to 1837.1, Nasdaq futures was up 6.2 points to 3667.25, Dow futures was up 27 points to 16155 points.

**Gold** physical was down \$7 to \$1322. Crude futures was down 22c to \$100.70 (from this morning).

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