

HD HOT SPOTS OF THE DAY

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S&P/ASX 200 closed at 5346.9 up 8.8

SPI Futures last at 5349, up 21

Aussie 10 year **bonds** were at 4.16%, 4 points higher yield.

The \$A is at 0.9080us

TOP TWENTY

AMP steady at \$4.92 on 6.8m shares.

ANZ +15c to \$32.40 on 3m shares.

BHP +16c to \$35.74 on 4m shares.

BXB -7c to \$9.40 on 2.56m shares

CBA +29c to \$75.95 on 1.69m shares.

CSL +74c to \$71.85 on 1m shares

FMG +11c to \$5.09 on 19.06 **m** shares

MQG +\$1.59 to \$56.42 on 2.36m shares.

NAB +20c to \$34.87 on 3m shares.

ORG -8c to \$14.35 on 4.4m shares

QBE -7c to \$12.83 on 4.1m shares.

RIO +13c to \$61.50 on 1.8m shares.

STO -4c to \$13.35 on 1.8m shares

SUN +11c to \$12.75 on 4m shares.

TLS steady at \$5 on 16.16m shares.

WBC +2c to \$33.62 on 3m shares.

WDC +16c to 410.45 on 6.1m shares.

WES -11c to \$41.59 on 1.8m shares.

WOW -21c to \$35.59 on 1.49m shares.

WPL +21c to \$38.64 on 1.99m shares

MARKETS RISE, PINNING THEIR HOPES ON CHINA STIMULUS MEASURES

Markets in a puzzling reaction to China's worse than expected flash manufacturing PMI number (The flash Markit/HSBC Purchasing Managers' Index for China in March came in at 48.1 vs a final reading of 48.5 in February and vs 48.7 expected - and is down to an eight month low. The "flash" March index also showed new orders slid for a fourth consecutive month to 46.9 -- its lowest point since July 2013, while output fell to 47.3, the lowest since September 2012)

went up - pinning their hopes on stimulus measures by the China government.

Bloomberg reported HSBC chief China economist Qu Hongbin as saying with weakness in China broad-based with domestic demand softening further "We expect Beijing to launch a series of policy measures to stabilize growth."

Volume on our market was lightish at \$3.5 billion, but on par for a Monday. Banks led the way higher with miners also stronger. The \$A is at 90.80US c, in line with Saturday levels.

*Macquarie Bank was up \$1.59 to \$56.42 on 2.3m shares after strongly lifting forecast full year profit in a presentation.

*Kathmandu rose 35c to \$3.45 on 3.2m shares on a strong interim result and cautiously positive full year view.

*REA Group rose \$1.12 to \$48.12 on 263,563 shares.

*Newcrest rose 24c to \$10.79 on 6.6m shares.

*Veda Group was up 5c to \$2.43 on 4.4m shares

*Nufarm, reporting tomorrow, rose 8c to \$4.27 on 1m shares.

*Lamboo rose 20c to 93.5c on 4.1m shares on graphite fever.

*Bora Bora rose 14.5c to 47.5c on 1.3m for the same reason, along with Kibaran while AXE rose 1c to 19c on 450,000 shares after announcing a j/v with Adelaide Uni to convert its Evers Peninsula graphite into Graphene.

*At 4pm AEST the Nikkei Dow futures was up 280 points to 14,410 points, Shanghai CSI physical was up 10.09 points to 2057.71, Hang Seng futures was up 214 points to 21,648 points, S&P) futures was down 10 points to 1856.90, Nasdaq futures was down 0.5 points to 3638.50. Dow futures was down 4 points to 16,217 points.

Spot gold was down \$7 to \$1327. Crude fell 27c to \$99.19.

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