

AQSE WEEKLY HIGHLIGHTS

Yooma Wellness' award-winning brand Vitality CBD has entered ASDA supermarkets, exemplifying the steadily increasing profile of CBD amongst Britain's major retailers. Vitality is the most visible CBD brand in the UK, according to an announcement released on Monday in which it was suggested that access to ASDA's team of qualified pharmacists 'allows customers to seek advice and support on any aspect of their health and wellness needs'. Jordan Greenberg, CEO of Yooma Wellness commented that the agreement was a positive development and 'an example of the quick return on investment that [Yooma's] buy and build strategy has created'.

KR1, leading digital asset investment company announced their participation in the Acala crowdloan and Polkadot parachain auction. Acala is a decentralised finance network and liquidity hub in Polkadot offering a smart contract platform. KR1 believes that over time, 'a multi-billion-dollar decentralised finance ecosystem will emerge' based on these novel technologies.

Rogue Baron's premium Japanese Shinju Whisky has once again won an award. The Gold Medal was presented to the company at the John Barleycorn Awards, which, according to Ryan Dolder - Rogue Baron CEO - is 'an assemblage of the world's top journalists and industry professionals who foster a modern approach to recognizing excellence in the spirits industry'. The Fall 2021 competition consisted of a blind tasting and featured hundreds of spirits from local and international producers - Dolder reminded the market that Shinju is 'competing against some of the best brands in the world'. This news is particularly welcome for Rogue Baron as they were recently forced to close their original bar location in Washington D.C. owing to pandemic-related restrictions.

Good Energy, renewable energy stalwart announced that another deal had been completed regarding its Electric Vehicle subsidiary Zap-Map. The app-based mapping service has partnered with Allstar Business Solutions to improve user experience and provide 'a seamless payment solution'. Attracting 180,000 users per month, the Zap-Map application provides EV drivers with access to detailed information such as charging point locations and allows users to share live updates with each other. 'Our mission is to make EV charging simple', said Alex Earl, Commercial Director.

Mears Group, UK housing and social care provider provided a trading update on Thursday. Since half-year results were released in August, the company has increased the rate of takings, expecting full year revenues to amount to approximately £850 million, ahead of company expectations. 'We look forward to the future with confidence', said David Miles, CEO, as improved performance was attributed to high demand and backlog clearances.

Finally, **Cadence Minerals** gave an update on the Picasso Lithium Project and Castillo Copper's recent geology team field trip. A ca. 10km zone of pegmatite occurrences was confirmed in the region, which significantly exceeds government mapping. Based on current due diligence work, the Board of Castillo Copper believe that the area is prospective for lithium mineralisation and as such deserves further investigation. Kiran Morzaria, Cadence CEO was 'pleased to note the progress and initial conclusions announced'.

Also out: Profit-making **Oberon Investments & DXS International** released interim results, **Semper Fortis Esports** Rocket League team qualified for a major tournament in Sweden and **Gunsynd** released final results.