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NOVOMATIC announces unconditional Board recommended takeover offer for Ainsworth



NOVOMATIC AG Group, Europe's largest gaming technology group, has announced an unconditional best and final cash Takeover Offer of **A\$1.00** per share for all the Ainsworth Game Technology shares it does not currently own.

The Takeover Offer, which will run in parallel with NOVOMATIC's existing **A\$1.00** per share *Scheme of Arrangement* offer for Ainsworth, provides choice and certainty for Ainsworth shareholders who are concerned about future liquidity and the performance of Ainsworth shares.

As the Takeover Offer is unconditional, NOVOMATIC is also eligible to purchase Ainsworth shares on-market at or below **A\$1.00** per share.

NOVOMATIC holds the largest shareholding in Ainsworth with an existing stake of 52.9%.



Ainsworth's Independent Board Committee has maintained its unanimous recommendation of the *Scheme Offer* and has extended its recommendation to the *Takeover Offer*, in the absence of a superior proposal, and subject to the independent expert continuing to conclude that the offer is fair and reasonable or not fair but reasonable to AGI Shareholders and there being no Superior Proposal.

Both offers represent a **35%** premium to the closing price of Ainsworth shares ahead of the initial announcement and fall within the independent expert's valuation range.

The meeting at which the *Scheme Offer* will be voted on is currently scheduled for **August 29**th, although NOVOMATIC expects that Ainsworth will apply to the Court to postpone the Scheme meeting in light of the *Takeover Offer*.

As outlined in the Scheme Booklet, declaration of a permitted dividend of **A\$0.19** per share would result in eligible shareholders receiving a consideration of **A\$0.81** cash per *Scheme Share* plus the permitted fully-franked dividend of **A\$0.19** cash per *Scheme Share*. For eligible Scheme shareholders who can realise the full benefit of franking credits, the total value of the consideration would be up to **A\$1.08** per *Scheme Share*. This franking credit benefit is not available to Ainsworth shareholders who accept the *Takeover Offer*.

NOVOMATIC intends to seek a delisting of Ainsworth should a shareholding of **75%** and other requirements of the ASX be achieved, further reducing liquidity and potentially leaving remaining shareholders in an unlisted entity.

In the event the Scheme is not approved, and Ainsworth remains an illiquid listed company, NOVOMATIC intends to adopt a more active approach to management of its significant investment in Ainsworth.

This will include considering increased NOVOMATIC representation on the Ainsworth Board by appointing a NOVOMATIC representative as a fifth Director and undertaking a strategic review of Ainsworth's business including its dividend and cash retention policy, assets, operations, structure, employees, future capital requirements and funding mix.

Stefan Krenn, Member of the Executive Board of NOVOMATIC AG Group stated: "NOVOMATIC's unconditional takeover offer provides instant liquidity to all Ainsworth shareholders and ensures every Ainsworth shareholder is able to make their own decision in relation to the offer, regardless of the outcome of the Scheme meeting.



"We note that a small number of shareholders including members of the Ainsworth family, have indicated they will not support the *Scheme of Arrangement*. This decision, if implemented, may block the Scheme and would eliminate the opportunity for Ainsworth retail shareholders to participate in the Scheme.

"By providing the option to sell into a *Takeover Offer*, NOVOMATIC has put the decision-making process back into the hands of individual shareholders, regardless of the size of their holding.

"Given the significance of our stake in Ainsworth, NOVOMATIC intends to take a more active approach to its investment, creating greater alignment between the decision-making process and the overall investment.

"The acquisition of Ainsworth is consistent with our international growth strategy and the expansion of our presence across the Asia-Pacific and the US region."

Further details in relation to NOVOMATIC's *Takeover Offer* and its intentions are outlined in the Bidder's Statement. AGI shareholders are encouraged to read the Bidder's Statement. The Scheme Booklet contains all relevant information on the Scheme, including the notice of the Scheme Meeting.

NOVOMATIC is advised by J.P. Morgan and King & Wood Mallesons.

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Greentube seals partnership with Moldova National Lottery



Novomatic's iGaming subsidiary, Greentube, has entered the Moldovan market through a collaboration with the country's National Lottery.

A number of Greentube's most popular titles are now available on the operator's platform, with additional titles slated for rollout in the near future.

"Entering the Moldovan market is an exciting milestone for us and one that aligns perfectly with our strategy of growth in regulated markets," said Greentube sales and key account manager Andrei Petre.

"Launching with the country's National Lottery gives us a unique position in Moldova and the opportunity to reach a wide audience with both our classic and new content. We look forward to building a long-lasting and successful presence in this dynamic market."

A spokesperson at the National Lottery of Moldova commented: "The partnership with Greentube gives us the opportunity to expand our digital portfolio with games that are internationally recognised for their quality and reliability. This step marks an important milestone in diversifying the content available to players in the Republic of Moldova.

"We value our collaboration with Greentube and believe that it reflects our shared commitment to a responsible, regulated and safe gaming environment. We also emphasise that all activities initiated will be carried out in strict compliance with the national legislation in force regarding the advertising and operation of gambling," the spokesperson concluded.

"The National Lottery remains committed to its mission of promoting transparent and compliant practices, actively contributing to the sustainable development of the sector in the Republic of Moldova."

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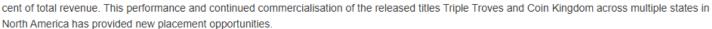
Ainsworth Game Technology sees profit fall slightly but North America shows strong growth

Ainsworth Game Technology reported Profit Before Tax (PBT) of \$13.9m for H1CY25, similar to the \$14.3m reported in the previous corresponding period ended 30 June 2024 (PCP).

The result was in line with the market guidance of approximately \$14m provided on 12 May 2025. North America showed strong growth of 22 per cent, although Latin America fell by 16 per cent.

AGT's Chairman Mr Danny Gladstone, commented: "Despite the challenges encountered, the result for the current period was in line with our expectations. Development activities previously undertaken have ensured sustainable profitability, with revenue increasing 25.3 per cent and 6.6 per cent in the current period compared to the PCP and the prior half (H2CY24), respectively."

The key market of North America maintained solid performance, contributing revenue of \$83.1m, a 22 per cent increase on the PCP and representing 55 per





The Latin American segment revenue fell by 16 per cent in the current period compared to the prior half (H2CY24), despite an increase in recurring revenue of nine per cent. This lower revenue was a result of the challenging economic conditions in this region and import restrictions persisting within Mexico. In addition, and as previously highlighted, the online segment revenue in the current period reflected the previous changes to the exclusivity arrangements with Game Account Network (GAN) in the PCP.

International revenues accounted for 80 per cent of the Group's total revenue in the current period, compared to 86 per cent in the PCP as a result of the stronger domestic revenue contributions. Recurring revenues (including Historical Horse Racing (HHR) connection fees) were \$50.7m in the current period, consistent to the \$48.9m in the PCP. Total machines under gaming operation at 31 December 2024 were 6,649, a decrease on the 6,871 units at 31 December 2024, resulting from the reduction in Latin America as units were converted from operation to sale.

North America revenue in the current period was \$83.1m, an increase of 22 per cent and five per cent on the PCP and the prior half, respectively. Revenue in the current period on a constant currency basis was \$79.6m, similar to the \$79.1m in H2CY24. The A-Star Raptor cabinet continues to perform with titles from the Triple Troves and Coin KingdomTM families.

Machines placed under participation and lease and HHR connection fees, which generate recurring revenue, contributed 47 per cent of segment revenues. Machines under operation in North America at the reporting date were consistent at 2,961 with the 3,015 units at the Prior Half. Historical Horse Racing ("HHR") products continue to perform with 10,496 units connected to AGT's HHR system at the reporting date following new installations and expansions in Virginia, Wyoming, New Hampshire and Kentucky during the current period. Strong average selling prices and recurring revenues, along with disciplined cost controls, resulted in a rise in segment profit to \$36m versus \$32.6m in the PCP.

Segment profit margins achieved were 43 per cent, consistent with the 45 per cent in the prior half. Revenues of \$31.6m were achieved in Latin America/Europe in the current period, compared to \$29.3m in the PCP, however a reduction of 16 per cent on the \$37.5m in the prior half. As noted, the reduction in revenue resulted from the challenging economic conditions within the region and continued import restrictions within Mexico. Demand continues to grow for the A-STAR range of cabinets with Xtension Link and Sa Fa being consistently top performing products in the region. At 30 June 2025, a total of 3,688 units were under operation, generating \$11.3m in recurring revenue, a reduction of seven per cent on the PCP, however a nine per cent increase compared to the prior half, with the average yield being maintained at US\$12 per day.

AGT's Asia Pacific (Australia, New Zealand, and Asia) performance was significantly improved in the period following the release of the A-Star RaptorTM cabinet in February 2025. Revenue was \$34.6m, an increase of 81 per cent on the \$19.1m in the PCP. The region achieved 1,049 unit sales in the period, a 90 per cent increase on the PCP. Average selling prices were maintained at \$25.9,000, consistent with the PCP. Segment profit improved to \$7.9m (23 per cent), compared to \$1.6m (eight per cent) in the PCP. The successful launch of the A-Star Raptor cabinet within domestic markets received positive feedback from our customers similar to other markets where this product has been released. Product performance of titles launched on the A-Star Raptor, including Year of the Snake, Nugget Hunter and Eagle Riches which have consistently performed above house average. Further releases are expected, ensuring a strong portfolio of products developed on this new hardware.

The online segment reported revenue of \$2.8m, a reduction on the \$5.1m in the PCP and consistent with the \$2.5m in the prior half. As previously noted, this segment was impacted by changes to the exclusivity arrangements with Game Account Network (GAN), including the acceleration of revenue in the PCP.

Harald Neumann, AGT's Chief Executive Officer commented: "We continue to execute on established strategies and capitalise on opportunities that emerge. The investments made have enabled us to upgrade our technology, hardware and continue to improve game performance which are expected to ensure we maintain our position in a highly competitive and consolidating market."

gamblinginsider.com, 21.08.2025

ONLINE LOTTERY INDUSTRY PARTNERSHIPS

Greentube enters Moldova with National Lottery partnership

A range of Greentube titles will now be available to players.



Key points:

- Greentube has partnered with the National Lottery of Moldova
- Titles including Lucky Lady's Charm deluxe, Piggy Prizes Wand of Riches 2 Buy Bonus and more will be available

Novomatic Digital Gaming and Entertainment division Greentube has partnered with the National Lottery of Moldova to bring a range of titles to players of the state-owned operator.

Games including Book of Ra deluxe, Sizzling Hot deluxe and Lucky Lady's Charm deluxe will be available, as will Piggy Prizes Wand of Riches 2 Buy Bonus, among others. The partnership marks Greentube's continued expansion efforts in Central and Eastern Europe.

National Lottery of Moldova has been in operation since 2011, and offers both online and offline lotteries, slots and betting games.

On the partnership, Greentube Sales and Key Account Manager Andrei Petre said: "Entering the Moldovan market is an exciting milestone for us and one that aligns perfectly with our strategy of growth in regulated markets.

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Good to know: Novomatic is currently in the process of attempting to acquire Ainsworth

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Greentube has a global presence, with partnerships across Europe, Africa and more. Recent partnerships include Hollywoodbets in South Africa, Hrvatska Lutrija in Croatia, Zeal in Germany and more.

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Greentube enters Moldova with landmark National Lottery partnership

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The deal marks Greentube's first entry into Moldova and sees a selection of its iconic titles now live through the state-owned operator.

Players in the country can now enjoy Greentube's most legendary titles, including Book of Ra deluxe, Sizzling Hot deluxe, and Lucky Lady's Charm deluxe, all of which have proven popular across similar markets in the region.

In addition to classic fan favourites, Moldovan players will also gain access to *Piggy Prizes Wand of Riches 2 Buy Bonus*, one of Greentube's latest releases from 2025, with more new titles set to follow.

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offering to include a wide range of online lottery and betting games, as well as offline lotteries and slot machines. As the sole and state-owned operator in the market, it plays a vital role in regulating responsible gaming and contributing to public initiatives through state-managed revenues.



Andrei Petre, Sales and Key Account Manager at Greentube, said: "Entering the Moldovan market is an exciting milestone for us and one that aligns perfectly with our strategy of growth in regulated markets.

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A spokesperson at National Lottery of Moldova, added: "The partnership with Greentube gives us the opportunity to expand our digital portfolio with games that are internationally recognised for their quality and reliability. This step marks an important milestone in diversifying the content available to players in the Republic of Moldova.

"We value our collaboration with Greentube and believe that it reflects our shared commitment to a responsible, regulated and safe gaming environment. We also emphasise that all activities initiated will be carried out in strict compliance with the national legislation in force regarding the advertising and operation of gambling.

"The National Lottery remains committed to its mission of promoting transparent and compliant practices, actively contributing to the sustainable development of the sector in the Republic of Moldova."



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Press release.- <u>Greentube</u>, the NOVOMATIC Digital Gaming and Entertainment division, has made its debut in the <u>Moldovan market</u> through a collaboration with the country's **National Lottery.**

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A spokeperson at **National Lottery of Moldova**, added: "The partnership with Greentube GmbH gives us the opportunity to expand our digital portfolio with games that are internationally recognized for their quality and reliability. This step marks an important milestone in diversifying the content available to players in the Republic of Moldova.

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igamingtoday.com, 21.08.2025

Greentube enters Moldova with landmark National Lottery partnership



21st August 2025 – Greentube, the NOVOMATIC Digital Gaming and Entertainment division, has officially launched in Moldova through a collaboration with the country's National Lottery.

The agreement marks Greentube's first entry into the Moldovan market and introduces a selection of its most iconic titles to local players via the state-owned operator.

Moldovan players can now enjoy renowned favourites such as **Book of Ra™ deluxe, Sizzling Hot™ deluxe, and Lucky Lady's Charm™ deluxe**, which have already proven successful in similar regional markets. Alongside these classics, players also gain access to **Piggy Prizes Wand of Riches™ 2 Buy Bonus**, one of Greentube's newest 2025 releases, with further titles set to follow.

Founded in 2011, the National Lottery of Moldova has steadily expanded its portfolio, offering a wide range of online lottery and betting products, as well as offline lotteries and slot machines. As the sole state-owned operator in the country, it plays a central role in ensuring responsible gaming and contributing to public initiatives through state-managed revenues.

The partnership reinforces Greentube's commitment to growth in regulated markets and strengthens its position in Central and Eastern Europe.

Andrei Petre, Sales and Key Account Manager at Greentube, said:

"ENTERING THE MOLDOVAN MARKET IS AN EXCITING MILESTONE FOR US AND ONE THAT ALIGNS PERFECTLY WITH OUR STRATEGY OF GROWTH IN REGULATED MARKETS.

LAUNCHING WITH THE COUNTRY'S NATIONAL LOTTERY GIVES US A UNIQUE POSITION IN MOLDOVA AND THE OPPORTUNITY TO REACH A WIDE AUDIENCE WITH BOTH OUR CLASSIC AND NEW CONTENT. WE LOOK FORWARD TO BUILDING A LONG-LASTING AND SUCCESSFUL PRESENCE IN THIS DYNAMIC MARKET."

A spokesperson at National Lottery of Moldova, added:

"THE PARTNERSHIP WITH GREENTUBE GIVES US THE OPPORTUNITY TO EXPAND OUR DIGITAL PORTFOLIO WITH GAMES THAT ARE INTERNATIONALLY RECOGNISED FOR THEIR QUALITY AND RELIABILITY. THIS STEP MARKS AN IMPORTANT MILESTONE IN DIVERSIFYING THE CONTENT AVAILABLE TO PLAYERS IN THE REPUBLIC OF MOLDOVA.

WE VALUE OUR COLLABORATION WITH GREENTUBE AND BELIEVE THAT IT REFLECTS OUR SHARED COMMITMENT TO A RESPONSIBLE, REGULATED AND SAFE GAMING ENVIRONMENT. WE ALSO EMPHASISE THAT ALL ACTIVITIES INITIATED WILL BE CARRIED OUT IN STRICT COMPLIANCE WITH THE NATIONAL LEGISLATION IN FORCE REGARDING THE ADVERTISING AND OPERATION OF GAMBLING.

THE NATIONAL LOTTERY REMAINS COMMITTED TO ITS MISSION OF PROMOTING TRANSPARENT AND COMPLIANT PRACTICES, ACTIVELY CONTRIBUTING TO THE SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT OF THE SECTOR IN THE REPUBLIC OF MOLDOVA."

indiangaming.com, 21.08.2025

Novomatic Makes Unconditional Takeover Offer for Ainsworth



GUMPOLDSKIRCHEN, AUSTRIA – Novomatic AG Group has launched an unconditional cash takeover bid for Ainsworth Game Technology Limited, offering A\$1.00 per share for all shares it does not already own. The European gaming technology company currently holds 52.9% of Ainsworth.

The new offer will run alongside Novomatic's existing Scheme of Arrangement proposal at the same price per share. By making the takeover offer unconditional, Novomatic will be able to purchase Ainsworth shares onmarket at or below A\$1.00.

Ainsworth's Independent Board Committee has extended its unanimous recommendation of the Scheme Offer to the takeover bid, in the absence of a superior proposal and subject to the Independent Expert maintaining its conclusion that the offer is fair and reasonable or not fair but reasonable. Both offers represent a 35% premium to Ainsworth's closing share price prior to the initial announcement and fall within the Independent Expert's valuation range.

The takeover offer provides A\$1.00 per share in cash. Under the Scheme Offer, shareholders may also receive fully franked dividends at the discretion of the Ainsworth Board. A dividend of A\$0.19 per share would reduce the cash component to A\$0.81, with eligible shareholders able to realise additional value through franking credits. The franking benefit is not available under the unconditional takeover offer.

If the Scheme of Arrangement is approved and Novomatic reaches at least 75% ownership, the company intends to seek a delisting of Ainsworth from the Australian Securities Exchange. If the Scheme is not approved, Novomatic has said it will take a more active role in Ainsworth, which could include adding another representative to the board and conducting a review of the company's operations, capital management and structure.

In a statement, Novomatic executive board member Stefan Krenn said the offer "provides liquidity to all Ainsworth shareholders and ensures each shareholder can make their own decision, independent of the outcome of the Scheme meeting." He added that the proposed acquisition supports Novomatic's strategy of expanding its presence in the Asia-Pacific and United States markets.

Ainsworth shareholders are scheduled to vote on the Scheme of Arrangement on August 29, 2025, although the company may seek a postponement in light of the takeover offer.

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Novomatic says to take 'more active approach' regarding Ainsworth's management



Austrian gaming equipment supplier Novomatic AG says that given the "significance" of its stake in Ainsworth Game Technology Ltd, it intends to "take a more active approach to its investment" in the Australian slot maker.

On Wednesday, Novomatic made a <u>fresh "off market" bid</u> of AUD1.00 (US\$0.645) per share for the shares it does not currently control in Ainsworth. It described the bid as being "final" and "unconditional", and one that "will not be increased".

The Austrian casino technology provider and its founder and owner, Johann Graf, collectively currently control 52.9 percent of Ainsworth's shares.

In its statement, Novomatic said the fresh takeover offer runs in parallel with a **scheme implementation deed**, announced in late April, which would also see Novomatic acquire the 47.1 percent of Ainsworth's share capital it does not currently own.

Wednesday's announcement cited Stefan Krenn, member of the executive board of Novomatic, as saying: "Novomatic's unconditional takeover offer provides instant liquidity to all Ainsworth shareholders and ensures every Ainsworth shareholder is able to make their own decision in relation to the offer, regardless of the outcome of the scheme meeting."

He stated: "We note that a small number of shareholders including members of the Ainsworth family, have indicated they will not support the scheme of arrangement. This decision, if implemented, may block the scheme and would eliminate the opportunity for Ainsworth retail shareholders to participate in the scheme."

Mr Krenn added: "By providing the option to sell into a takeover offer, Novomatic has put the decision-making process back into the hands of individual shareholders, regardless of the size of their holding."

The executive also said that given the "significance" of its stake in Ainsworth, "Novomatic intends to take a more active approach to its investment, creating greater alignment between the decision-making process and the overall investment".

"The acquisition of Ainsworth is consistent with our international growth strategy and the expansion of our presence across the Asia-Pacific and the U.S. region," he added.

Novomatic said that should the scheme of arrangement be approved, it "intends to seek a delisting" of Ainsworth from the Australian bourse, should a shareholding of 75 percent and other requirements "ultimately be achieved". The move would further reduce liquidity and "potentially leaving remaining shareholders in an unlisted entity".

If the scheme is not approved, "and Ainsworth remains an illiquid listed company," Novomatic said it plans to adopt a more active approach to management of its "significant investment" in the Australian company.

That might include increasing representation on the Ainsworth board by appointing a Novomatic representative as a fifth director; and undertaking a strategic review of Ainsworth's business, "including its dividend and cash retention policy, assets, operations, structure, employees, future capital requirements and funding mix".

igamingexpress.com, 20.08.2025

NOVOMATIC Launches Unconditional Takeover Offer for Ainsworth

NOVOMATIC AG Group, a dominant force in European gaming technology, has initiated an unconditional 'best and final' cash takeover offer for all shares it doesn't already own in Ainsworth Game Technology Limited. This move, which runs concurrently with the existing Scheme of Arrangement, provides a direct path for Ainsworth shareholders to sell their shares and secure instant liquidity. The offer price is set at A\$1.00 per share, which matches the price of the Scheme Offer.



This latest development comes as Novomatic holds a significant stake of 52.9% in Ainsworth, making it the company's largest shareholder. The Ainsworth Independent Board Committee has formally recommended both the Scheme and the Takeover Offer, stating that both are fair and reasonable in the absence of a superior proposal. The A\$1.00 per share price represents a 35% premium to Ainsworth's closing price before the initial announcement and falls within the valuation range determined by an independent expert.

Putting Control in Shareholders' Hands

<u>Novomatic's</u> decision to launch a parallel, unconditional takeover offer addresses potential concerns about the Scheme of Arrangement's success. This is particularly relevant given that some shareholders, including members of the Ainsworth family, have indicated they may not support the Scheme, which could block its approval.

Stefan Krenn, Member of the Executive Board of NOVOMATIC AG Group said:

"NOVOMATIC's unconditional takeover offer provides instant liquidity to all Ainsworth shareholders and ensures every Ainsworth shareholder is able to make their own decision in relation to the offer, regardless of the outcome of the Scheme meeting."

"We note that a small number of shareholders including members of the Ainsworth family, have indicated they will not support the Scheme of Arrangement. This decision, if implemented, may block the Scheme and would eliminate the opportunity for Ainsworth retail shareholders to participate in the Scheme. By providing the option to sell into a takeover offer, NOVOMATIC has put the decision-making process back into the hands of individual shareholders, regardless of the size of their holding."

Krenn also said:

"Given the significance of our stake in Ainsworth, NOVOMATIC intends to take a more active approach to its investment, creating greater alignment between the decision-making process and the overall investment."

"The acquisition of Ainsworth is consistent with our international growth strategy and the expansion of our presence across the Asia-Pacific and the US region."

While the Scheme Meeting is scheduled for August 29, 2025, Novomatic anticipates that Ainsworth will seek to postpone it in light of the new offer.

Strategic and Financial Outlook

The financial implications of each offer differ for shareholders. For eligible shareholders who can take full advantage of the franking credits, this could result in a total value of up to A\$1.08 per share. This benefit is not available to those who accept the Takeover Offer.

In the event the Scheme is approved and Novomatic's shareholding reaches the required 75%, the company intends to delist Ainsworth. If the Scheme fails to gain approval, Novomatic plans to take a more active role in managing its investment. This includes seeking increased representation on the Ainsworth Board and conducting a strategic review of Ainsworth's business, operations, and financial policies. The acquisition of Ainsworth is aligned with Novomatic's broader international growth strategy, specifically its expansion into the Asia-Pacific and US markets.

cdcgaming.com, 20.08.2025

Novomatic submits new unconditional takeover bid for Australian slots supplier Ainsworth



Photo: CDC Gamin

European gaming giant Novomatic has submitted an alternative, unconditional bid to acquire all shares that it doesn't currently own in Australian supplier Ainsworth Game Technology (AGT) at a price of AU\$1.00 per share, representing a total consideration of AU\$158.6 million (US\$104.3 million).

AGT revealed details of the revised offer ahead of its 1H25 earnings call on Wednesday morning, stating that Novomatic's bid ranks on par with an initial bid launched in April except that Novomatic has now waived any right to include conditions in its takeover bid and it is therefore unconditional.

Novomatic has, however, stated that the offer price is final and will not be increased.

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Novomatic tables 'final, unconditional' takeover offer for Ainsworth

Novomatic currently holds 52.9% of the total shares in Australia-based Ainsworth.



Novomatic has submitted an off-market takeover bid of AU\$1 (US\$0.64) in cash per share to acquire all outstanding shares it does not currently own in Ainsworth Game Technology.

<u>Tabling the proposal</u>, Novomatic said this was its "final" offer to take full control of the Australian slot machine supplier. It added the bid was "unconditional" and that the price would not be increased further.

Novomatic <u>initially tabled a scheme implementation deed</u> in April this year, also valued at \$1 per share, or a total enterprise value of \$336.5 million. However, the IBC viewed the latest proposal as an "alternative takeover bid", with it running parallel to the existing offer.

Ainsworth's Independent Board Committee (IBC), comprised of three nonexecutive directors, has recommended shareholders vote in favour of the scheme. The IBC added the offer is in the best interests of Ainsworth shareholders, "in the absence of a superior proposal".

Should shareholders approve the bid, they will receive \$1 in cash for each Ainsworth's share they hold within 10 business days of acceptance. A scheme meeting on the matter is due to take place on 29 August.

Novomatic seeks international growth

Ainsworth is listed on the Australian Securities Exchange (ASX). Its headquarters are in Newington, Sydney and has operations worldwide. The company provides gaming machines in Australia, Asia and the Americas.

At present, Novomatic holds 52.9% of the total shares in Ainsworth. The company <u>acquired the majority stake in January 2018</u>, with the remaining 47.1% shared between other holders.

Any full takeover would be subject to various other approvals. These include sign-off from the Australian Securities Exchange, Australian Securities Investments Commission and the Federal Court of Australia.

Speaking at the time of the April agreement, Novomatic executive board member Stefan Krenn said the acquisition fit in with the company's international growth plans.

"The acquisition of Ainsworth is consistent with our international growth strategy and the expansion of our presence across the Asia-Pacific and the US region," Krenn said. "As a long-term shareholder we are familiar with the business and believe that integrating Ainsworth into our operations is in the best interest of this strategy."

Ainsworth slips to comprehensive net loss in H1

The new offer follows Ainsworth <u>posting its financial results for the first half of 2025</u>. These revealed a 25.3% year-on-year increase in revenue, mainly due to higher land-based sales in all key regions, particularly in North America and Asia Pacific.

However, Ainsworth said its margin of 56% for H1 was impacted by mix of product sales in North America and Latin America, as well as a decrease in online revenue, with high margin during the half.

Cost of sales jumped 66.2% but revenue growth meant gross profit increased 4.8% year-on-year. However, with spending also higher in other areas, operating profit dipped 24.6% to \$9.5 million.

After finance costs and foreign exchange loss, pre-tax profit hit \$1.6 million, down 89.8%. The group was able to claw back \$3.4 million in income tax income, meaning net profit during H1 reached \$4.9 million, a drop of 65%.

However, it also included \$9 million in negative foreign currency translation impact, with this only partially offset by \$4.9 million in profit attributed to owners of the company. As such, Ainsworth ended H1 with a comprehensive net loss of \$4.1 million, in contrast to last year's \$18.1 million profit.

In addition, EBITDA for the six-month period fell 48.2% to \$14.6 million.

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New Novomatic takeover offer targets all Ainsworth shareholders, but price not increased

Novomatic's "best and final" AU\$1.00 per share bid runs in parallel with its scheme offer, as family shareholders prepare to vote against the deal.



Key points:

- Novomatic launches unconditional AU\$1.00 takeover bid for remaining Ainsworth shares
- Offer runs alongside Scheme of Arrangement ahead of 29 August vote
- Company maintains price will not increase despite shareholder opposition

Novomatic has launched an unconditional takeover bid for all Ainsworth Game Technology (AGT) shares it does not already own, offering AU\$1.00 (US\$0.64) per share in cash.

The Austrian group, which holds 52.9% of Ainsworth, said the new offer provides certainty and liquidity for shareholders concerned about the stock's future performance.

The bid will run in parallel with Novomatic's existing Scheme of Arrangement, also priced at AU\$1.00 per share.

The Independent Board Committee of Ainsworth has recommended shareholders accept both offers in the absence of a superior proposal, subject to the Independent Expert maintaining its conclusion that the offer is fair and reasonable.

Both offers represent a 35% premium to Ainsworth's closing price before the deal was first announced.

Since the takeover offer is unconditional, Novomatic is also entitled to purchase shares on-market at or below A\$1.00.

However, the company confirmed it will not raise the bid, a position it emphasised in an exclusive *Gambling Insider* interview earlier this month, where it described the price as "best and final."

Good to know: Ainsworth's scheme meeting, scheduled for 29 August, may now be postponed following the new offer

Novomatic acknowledged that some Ainsworth family shareholders have indicated they will vote against the Scheme of Arrangement. By introducing the unconditional bid, Novomatic said it was "putting the decision-making process back into the hands of individual shareholders."

If the scheme is not approved, Novomatic stated it would adopt a more active approach to its investment, which could include seeking additional board representation and reviewing Ainsworth's dividend policy, assets and structure.

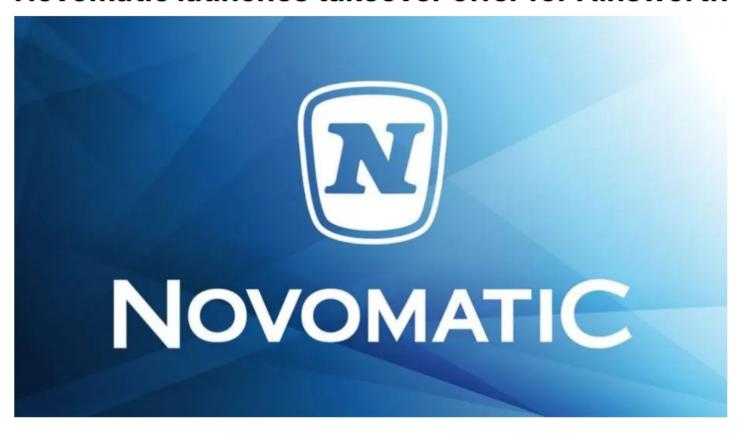
The company also reiterated that if its ownership stake reaches 75%, it would seek a delisting from the Australian Securities Exchange.

Novomatic acquired its majority holding in Ainsworth from founder Len Ainsworth in 2016. The company has since pursued expansion across Asia-Pacific and North America, while Ainsworth continues to supply slot machines to regulated markets worldwide.

The outcome of the takeover now rests with Ainsworth shareholders, with a revised timeline for the vote expected to be announced in the coming weeks.

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Novomatic launches takeover offer for Ainsworth



Novomatic is looking to wrap up its acquisition of Ainsworth by offering shareholders an alternative to the proposed scheme of arrangement.

On Wednesday, Novomatic's board of directors announced an unconditional 'best and final' cash takeover offer for Ainsworth Game Technology, with the takeover offer running in parallel with Novomatic's previously announced scheme of arrangement.

The unconditional cash takeover offer of A\$1.00 per Ainsworth share represents the same value as the scheme of arrangement announced in April, and is meant to give "choice and certainty for Ainsworth shareholders who are concerned about future liquidity and the performance of Ainsworth shares".

The scheme of arrangement, which is currently scheduled to be put to a vote of Ainsworth shareholders on 29 August, poses the risk of reduced liquidity in AGT shares and could potentially leave remaining shareholders with shares in an unlisted entity.

As a result of today's unconditional cash takeover offer, Novomatic expects Ainsworth to apply to court to postpone the scheme meeting.

Novomatic is the largest shareholder in Ainsworth with a stake of 52.9 per cent and intends to delist the company, if it can achieve a shareholding of over 75 per cent.

"Novomatic' unconditional takeover offer provides instant liquidity to all Ainsworth shareholders and ensures every Ainsworth shareholder is able to make their own decision in relation to the offer, regardless of the outcome of the Scheme meeting," said Stefan Krenn, member of the executive board of Novomatic AG Group.

"We note that a small number of shareholders including members of the Ainsworth family, have indicated they will not support the Scheme of Arrangement. This decision, if implemented, may block the Scheme and would eliminate the opportunity for Ainsworth retail shareholders to participate in the Scheme. By providing the option to sell into a takeover offer, Novomatic has put the decision-making process back into the hands of individual shareholders, regardless of the size of their holding.

"Given the significance of our stake in Ainsworth, Novomatic intends to take a more active approach to its investment, creating greater alignment between the decision-making process and the overall investment," Krenn added.

"The acquisition of Ainsworth is consistent with our international growth strategy and the expansion of our presence across the Asia-Pacific and the US region."

If Novomatic is unsuccessful in its bid to acquire at least 75 per cent ownership, the company plans to increase its representation on the Ainsworth board of directors with the addition of a fifth director.

Novomatic will also seek a strategic review of Ainsworth's business, including its dividend and cash retention policy, assets, operations, structure, employees, future capital requirements and funding mix.

The A\$1.00 per AGT share cash takeover offer from Novomatic represents a premium of 35 per cent on the closing price of Ainsworth's shares prior to the April announcement and is said to be in line with the valuation range of an independent expert.

Shares in **Ainsworth Game Technology Ltd. (ASX:AGI)** closed 2.50 per cent higher at A\$1.02 per share in Sydney Wednesday following the release of the company's financial results for H1 2025.

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North America drives Ainsworth Game Technology growth



Ainsworth Game Technology has reported a 25 per cent increase in revenue to A\$152.1 million for the first six months of 2025, buoyed by strong growth in its key market of North America.

North America generated more than half of the total as first half revenue rose 22 per cent to \$83.1 million, driven by growth from its A-Star Raptor cabinets, in particular from the Triple Troves and Coin Kingdom games across multiple states.

Machines placed under participation and lease, and Historical Horse Racing (HHR) connection fees, contributed 47 per cent of segment revenue.

Machines under operation in North America were slightly lower than a year ago at 2,961, while HHR products continue to perform well with 10,496 units connected to Ainsworth's HHR system, following new installations and expansions in Virginia, Wyoming, New Hampshire and Kentucky.

Revenue from the Latin American and Europe segment fell by 16 per cent to \$31.6 million, as a result of challenging economic conditions in the region and import restrictions persisting within Mexico.

At the end of June, a total of 3,688 units were under operation, generating \$11.3 million in recurring revenue, down 7 per cent versus a year ago but up 9 per cent sequentially, with the average yield maintained at US\$12 per day.

The Asia Pacific region (Australia, New Zealand, and Asia) recorded the biggest growth in the first half period, as revenue increased by 81 per cent to \$34.6 million, benefiting from the release of the A-Star Raptor cabinet in February.

The region achieved 1,049 unit sales in the period, a 90 per cent increase on the prior year period, with average selling prices maintained at \$25,900.

International revenue accounted for 80 per cent of Ainsworth's total revenue in the period, compared to 86 per cent in H1 2024, as a result of the stronger domestic revenue contributions.

Recurring revenue, including HHR connection fees, rose 4 per cent to \$50.7 million, with total machines under gaming operation declining 3 per cent to 6,649, resulting from the reduction in Latin America as units were converted from operation to sale.

The Online segment reported revenue of \$2.8 million, a reduction on \$5.1 million year ago, impacted by changes to the exclusivity arrangements with GAN.

First Half 2025 Revenue Comparison (A\$' millions)

	H1 2025	H1 2024
Asia Pacific	34.6	19.1
North America	83.1	67.9
Latin America & Europe	31.6	29.3
Online Gaming	2.8	5.1
TOTAL	152.1	121.4

"Despite the challenges encountered, the result for the current period was in line with our expectations," said Ainsworth chairman Danny Gladstone. "Development activities previously undertaken have ensured sustainable profitability, with revenue increasing 25.3 per cent and 6.6 per cent in the current period compared to the PCP and the prior half (H2CY24), respectively."

Sales, service and marketing expenses were 9 per cent higher at \$33.0 million, while research and development expenses fell 6 per cent to \$24.2 million. Administrative expenses grew 12 per cent to \$14.2 million, while impairment of non-current assets amounted to \$2.7 million.

Net foreign currency losses were \$8.6 million, pushing profit after tax down 65 per cent to \$4.9 million.

First Half 2025 Results Comparison (A\$' millions)

	H1 2025	H1 2024
Revenue	152.1	121.4
Cost of Sales	(67.3)	(40.5)
Gross Profit	84.8	80.9
Other Income	0.3	0.5
Sales, Service and Marketing Expenses	(33.0)	(30.2)
Research and Development Expenses	(24.2)	(25.7)
Administrative Expenses	(14.2)	(12.7)
Writeback of Loss Allowance on Trade Receivables	0.2	0.2
Impairment of Non-Current Assets	(2.7)	-
Other Expenses	(1.6)	(0.4)
Results from Operating Activities	9.5	12.6
Net Finance Income	0.7	1.1
Foreign Exchange (Losses)/Gains	(8.6)	2.0
Income Tax Income/(Expense)	3.4	(1.7)
Profit for the Period	4.9	14.0
Basic EPS	0.01	0.04

"We continue to execute on established strategies and capitalise on opportunities that emerge," said Ainsworth CEO Harald Neumann. "The investments made have enabled us to upgrade our technology, hardware and continue to improve game performance which are expected to ensure we maintain our position in a highly competitive and consolidating market."

At the end of June, the company held cash and cash equivalents of \$12.8 million compared to \$13.0 million a year ago.

This morning, Novomatic launched an unconditional cash takeover offer for Ainsworth in a bid to assume full ownership of the business and take the company private.

Shares in **Ainsworth Game Technology Inc (ASX:AGI)** gained 2.50 per cent to close at A\$1.02 per share in Sydney Wednesday.

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A\$1.00 PER SHARE TAKEOVER OFFER

NOVOMATIC launches unconditional cash takeover offer for Ainsworth



NOVOMATIC AG has made a "final, unconditional" cash takeover offer for Ainsworth, offering A\$1.00 (US\$0.64) per share. The offer runs alongside NOVOMATIC's existing Scheme of Arrangement, giving shareholders immediate liquidity and choice.

NOVOMATIC, already Ainsworth's largest shareholder with 52.9%, may also buy shares on-market at or below A\$1.00 per share. Both offers represent a 35% premium to Ainsworth's share price before the initial announcement.

Ainsworth's Independent Board Committee continues to recommend the Scheme and now supports the takeover offer, provided there is no superior proposal and the Independent Expert deems the offer fair and reasonable.

NOVOMATIC's takeover offer proposes a "best and final" cash consideration of A\$1.00 per share, consistent with the Scheme Implementation Deed signed on 28 April 2025. The offers will run concurrently, with the Scheme Meeting currently scheduled for 29 August 2025. NOVOMATIC expects Ainsworth may seek to postpone the meeting in light of the new offer.

Shareholders accepting the Scheme could receive additional fully franked dividends, potentially increasing total value to A\$1.08 (US\$0.69) per share. This benefit is not available under the takeover offer.

If the Scheme is approved and NOVOMATIC reaches 75% ownership, it plans to delist Ainsworth from the Australian Securities Exchange (ASX). If the Scheme fails, NOVOMATIC intends to take a more active role, including board representation and a strategic review of the business.

Stefan Krenn, Member of the Executive Board of NOVOMATIC AG Group, said that the unconditional takeover offer provides immediate liquidity for all Ainsworth shareholders and allows each shareholder to make an independent decision, regardless of the outcome of the Scheme meeting.

"We note that a small number of shareholders, including members of the Ainsworth family, have indicated they will not support the Scheme of Arrangement," he added. "This decision, if implemented, may block the Scheme and would eliminate the opportunity for Ainsworth retail shareholders to participate in the Scheme."

He added that by offering the option to sell through the takeover, **NOVOMATIC** is returning decision-making power to individual shareholders, regardless of the size of their holdings.

"The acquisition of Ainsworth is consistent with our international growth strategy and the expansion of our presence across the Asia-Pacific and the US region," Krenn further commented.

Ainsworth's headquarters are located in Newington, Sydney, and the company has operations worldwide. The business provides gaming machines in Australia, Asia, and the Americas. Any full takeover of Ainsworth would be subject to various approvals, including sign-off from the Australian Securities Exchange, Australian Securities and Investments Commission, and the Federal Court of Australia.

NOVOMATIC is advised by J.P. Morgan and King & Wood Mallesons.

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REVENUE UP 25%

Ainsworth 1H25 profit tumbles 65% on forex hit despite Asia-Pacific surge



Ainsworth Game Technology (AGT) reported a 65% plunge in first-half net profit on Tuesday, hit by foreign exchange losses and one-off costs, even as strong sales in Asia-Pacific and North America lifted group revenue by a quarter.

Net profit attributable to members fell to AU\$4.9 million (\$3.2 million) for the six months to June 30, down from AU\$14 million (\$9.1 million) a year earlier. Group revenue climbed 25% to AU\$152.1 million (\$98.1 million), driven by the launch of the A-Star Raptor cabinet in Asia and steady demand in North America.

Foreign exchange losses of AU\$8.6 million, largely from balance sheet translations linked to a weaker U.S. dollar, and **AU\$1.6 million in costs related to Novomatic's** takeover bid weighed on statutory profit.

Underlying profit before tax slipped slightly to AU\$13.9 million, while underlying EBITDA was flat at AU\$26.9 million. Gross margin narrowed to 56% from 67% due to product sales mix shifts in the Americas and a sharp fall in higher-margin online revenue.

Asia-Pacific revenue surged 81% to AU\$34.6 million (\$22.3 million), contributing 20% of group revenue. Unit sales rose 90% to 1,049 following the February launch of the A-Star Raptor cabinet. "The successful launch of the A-Star Raptor cabinet within domestic markets received positive feedback from our customers, similar to other markets where this product has been released," the company said.

North America, Ainsworth's largest market, delivered a 22% rise in revenue to AU\$83.1 million (\$53.4 million), supported by titles such as Triple Troves and Coin Kingdom. Latin America fell 16% due to economic headwinds and Mexican import restrictions, while online revenue slumped 45% after changes to exclusivity arrangements with Game Account Network (GAN).

Recurring connection fees from Ainsworth's Historical Horse Racing products rose to AU\$20.9 million from AU\$15.9 million, partly offsetting declines in participation and lease revenue.

CEO Harald Neumann said: "We continue to execute on established strategies and capitalize on opportunities that emerge. The investments made have enabled us to upgrade our technology, hardware, and continue to improve game performance, which is expected to ensure we maintain our position in a highly competitive and consolidating market."

The company ended the half with a net cash position of AU\$1.4 million, down from AU\$9.7 million at Dec. 31, 2024. Interim dividends remain suspended as AGT navigates geopolitical uncertainty and trade negotiations between the U.S. and other countries.

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Novomatic bids for Ainsworth takeover

August 20, 2025 by Phil Clegg









Novomatic has notified Ainsworth of its intention to make an unconditional off-market takeover bid for AU\$1 per share to acquire all outstanding shares in Ainsworth that Novomatic or its associates do not currently own.



Novomatic confirmed that its new takeover offer will run in parallel to its existing \$1 per share scheme of arrangement offer for Ainsworth in order to provide "choice and certainty for Ainsworth shareholders who are concerned about future liquidity and the

performance of Ainsworth shares."

Ainsworth's Independent Board Committee has unanimously recommended that Ainsworth shareholders accept the Novomatic takeover bid, subject to the independent expert continuing to conclude that the bid is fair and reasonable or not fair but reasonable to Ainsworth shareholders.

Currently the vote is scheduled for AUgust 29, but Novomatic declared that it anticipates Ainsworth applying to the court to postpone the scheme meeting in light of the offer.

"Novomatic's unconditional takeover offer provides instant liquidity to all Ainsworth shareholders and ensures every Ainsworth shareholder is able to make their own decision in relation to the offer, regardless of the outcome of the scheme meeting," said Stefan Krenn, member of the executive board of Novomatic Group.

"We note that a small number of shareholders including members of the Ainsworth family, have indicated they will not support the Scheme of Arrangement. This decision, if implemented, may block the scheme and would eliminate the opportunity for Ainsworth retail shareholders to participate in the scheme.

"By providing the option to sell into a takeover offer, Novomatic has put the decision-making process back into the hands of individual shareholders, regardless of the size of their holding.

"Given the significance of our stake in Ainsworth, Novomatic intends to take a more active approach to its investment, creating greater alignment between the decision-making process and the overall investment.

"The acquisition of Ainsworth is consistent with our international growth strategy and the expansion of our presence across the Asia-Pacific and the US region."

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NOVOMATIC announces unconditional Board recommended takeover offer for Ainsworth

NOVOMATIC AG Group (NOVOMATIC), Europe's largest gaming technology group, today announced an unconditional 'best and final' cash takeover offer of A\$1.00 per share for all the Ainsworth Game Technology Limited ("Ainsworth") shares it does not currently own ("Takeover Offer").

Gumpoldskirchen/Newington – The Takeover Offer, which will run in parallel with NOVOMATIC's existing A\$1.00 per share Scheme of Arrangement offer ("Scheme Offer") for Ainsworth, provides choice and certainty for Ainsworth shareholders who are concerned about future liquidity and the performance of Ainsworth shares.



As the Takeover Offer is unconditional, NOVOMATIC is also eligible to purchase Ainsworth shares on-market at or below A\$1.00 per share.

NOVOMATIC holds the largest shareholding in Ainsworth with an existing stake of 52.9%.

Ainsworth Board recommendation

Ainsworth's Independent Board Committee has maintained its unanimous recommendation of the Scheme Offer and has extended its recommendation to the Takeover Offer, in the absence of a superior proposal, and subject to the Independent Expert continuing to conclude that the Offer is fair and reasonable or not fair but reasonable to AGI Shareholders and there being no Superior Proposal.

Both offers represent a 35% premium to the closing price of Ainsworth shares ahead of the initial announcement and fall within the Independent Expert's valuation range. The Independent Expert found that the Scheme Offer price is fair and reasonable and in the best interests of Ainsworth shareholders in the absence of a superior proposal.

Consideration and permitted dividend

NOVOMATIC's Takeover Offer is for a 'best and final' cash consideration of A\$1.00 per share and is in accordance with the Scheme Implementation Deed entered into with Ainsworth on 28 April 2025 (as amended by the amending deed dated [TBC] 2025). The Takeover Offer will run concurrently with the Scheme Offer. The meeting at which the Scheme will be voted on is currently scheduled for 29 August 2025, although NOVOMATIC expects that Ainsworth will apply to the Court to postpone the Scheme Meeting in light of the Offer.

Should the Scheme of Arrangement be approved by shareholders, additional value may be realised by certain shareholders through the payment of one or more fully franked dividends, which may be declared and paid at the discretion of the Ainsworth Board.

As outlined in the Scheme Booklet, declaration of a permitted dividend of A\$0.19 per share would result in eligible shareholders receiving a consideration of A\$0.81 cash per Scheme Share plus the permitted fully-franked dividend of A\$0.19 cash per Scheme Share.

For those eligible Scheme shareholders who can realise the full benefit of franking credits, the total value of the consideration would be up to A\$1.08 per Scheme Share. This franking credit benefit is not available to Ainsworth shareholders who accept the Takeover Offer.

Intentions

NOVOMATIC's intentions should the Scheme of Arrangement be approved are clearly outlined in the Scheme Booklet.

NOVOMATIC intends to seek a delisting of Ainsworth should a shareholding of 75% and other requirements of the ASX ultimately be achieved, further reducing liquidity and potentially leaving remaining shareholders in an unlisted entity.

In the event the Scheme is not approved, and Ainsworth remains an illiquid listed company, NOVOMATIC intends to adopt a more active approach to management of its significant investment in Ainsworth, including:

- considering increased NOVOMATIC representation on the Ainsworth Board by appointing a NOVOMATIC representative as a fifth director; and
- undertaking a strategic review of Ainsworth's business including its dividend and cash retention policy, assets, operations, structure, employees, future capital requirements and funding mix.

Stefan Krenn, Member of the Executive Board of NOVOMATIC AG Group stated:

"NOVOMATIC's unconditional takeover offer provides instant liquidity to all Ainsworth shareholders and ensures every Ainsworth shareholder is able to make their own decision in relation to the offer, regardless of the outcome of the Scheme meeting.

"We note that a small number of shareholders including members of the Ainsworth family, have indicated they will not support the Scheme of Arrangement. This decision, if implemented, may block the Scheme and would eliminate the opportunity for Ainsworth retail shareholders to participate in the Scheme. By providing the option to sell into a takeover offer, NOVOMATIC has put the decision-making process back into the hands of individual shareholders, regardless of the size of their holding.

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Next steps

Further details in relation to NOVOMATIC's Takeover Offer and its intentions are outlined in the Bidder's Statement. AGI shareholders are encouraged to read the Bidder's Statement. The Scheme Booklet contains all relevant information on the Scheme, including the notice of the Scheme Meeting.

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Novomatic makes final offer for Ainsworth



The company currently holds 52.9 per cent of all shares.

Australia.- **Novomatic** has submitted an off-market takeover bid of AU\$1 (US\$0.64) per share in cash to acquire all outstanding shares it does not currently own in **Ainsworth Game Technology**. The company, which bought 52.9 per cent of shares from founder Len Ainsworth in 2016, announced a scheme implementation deed in April.

It said the offer price is final and will not be increased. Ainsworth's board committee has recommended that shareholders vote in favour. The takeover remains subject to court approval and submission of documents to the Australian Securities and Investments Commission (ASIC) and the ASX.

Ainsworth Game Technology reported <u>revenue of AUD152.1m (US\$98.9m) for</u> the first half of 2025. That's a rise of 25.3 per cent year-on-year. Net profit was AUD4.9m (US\$3.2m), down 65 per cent. The company said the revenue growth was due to the increase of land-based sales in its main regions, particularly in Australia following the release of the RaptorTM cabinet in February.

The Asia Pacific segment generated revenue of AUD34.6m (US\$2.2m), up 81 per cent. The region saw 1,049 unit sales, a 90 per cent increase year-on-year. Profit increased 23 per cent to AUD7.9m (US\$5.1).

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Novomatic Tables Final A\$1 Bid for Ainsworth Shares

Novomatic AG, Europe's largest gaming technology group, has confirmed a new move in its pursuit of full control over **Ainsworth Game Technology**. On August 20, the company announced an unconditional cash takeover offer of **A\$1.00 per share** for all shares it does not already own, positioning this as its "best and final" proposal. The bid runs alongside the previously disclosed scheme of arrangement, also priced at **A\$1.00 per share**, and gives shareholders an alternative path as the August 29 scheme meeting approaches.

Parallel Offers Provide Options for Shareholders

Novomatic currently holds a 52.9% majority stake in Ainsworth, first acquired from founder Len Ainsworth in 2016. The latest bid, described as off-market and unconditional, allows the Austrian group to buy shares directly from investors at or below A\$1.00 each. Importantly, Novomatic has emphasized that the offer is final and will not be raised further.

The scheme offer announced earlier this year remains active and would require shareholder and court approval. **The Independent Board Committee (IBC) of Ainsworth** has extended its unanimous support to both the scheme and the takeover offer, stating that in the absence of a superior bid and subject to the independent expert's conclusions, the proposal is in the best interests of shareholders.

Both options reflect a 35% premium over Ainsworth's share price before the initial April announcement and fall within the valuation range identified by the independent expert.

The scheme of arrangement also includes the potential for fully-franked dividends, a benefit not available under the unconditional takeover bid. A permitted dividend of A\$0.19 per share would see eligible investors receive A\$0.81 in cash plus A\$0.19 in dividends. For those able to take advantage of franking credits, the total value could rise to A\$1.08 per share.

Despite the headline **A\$336** million equity value implied by the offer, Ainsworth's recent filings noted that the valuation sat below the group's net asset carrying value at mid-year. This triggered an impairment review, resulting in a **A\$2.1** million charge against its online segment due to underperformance.

Financial Context and Recent Results

Ainsworth's first-half 2025 results showed revenue growth of 25.3%, driven by land-based sales in North America and Asia Pacific. However, higher costs and weaker margins weighed heavily on the bottom line. Operating profit fell nearly 25% to A\$9.5 million, while pre-tax profit dropped almost 90% to A\$1.6 million. After foreign exchange losses and other adjustments, the company posted a comprehensive net loss of A\$4.1 million, compared with an A\$18.1 million profit a year earlier.

EBITDA also declined sharply, down 48.2% to A\$14.6 million, highlighting the financial challenges facing the company even as revenues rose.

The IBC has urged shareholders to review the forthcoming supplementary scheme booklet, expected in September, before casting their votes. Ainsworth has applied to the court to postpone the scheme meeting originally scheduled for August 29 to allow additional information to be circulated.

Novomatic Executive Board Member Stefan Krenn said the new bid was designed to provide investors with flexibility. "NOVOMATIC's unconditional takeover offer provides instant liquidity to all Ainsworth shareholders and ensures every Ainsworth shareholder is able to make their own decision in relation to the offer, regardless of the outcome of the Scheme meeting," he said in the company's press release.

Krenn also acknowledged resistance from certain stakeholders. "We note that a small number of shareholders including members of the Ainsworth family, have indicated they will not support the Scheme of Arrangement. This decision, if implemented, may block the Scheme and would eliminate the opportunity for Ainsworth retail shareholders to participate in the Scheme. By providing the option to sell into a takeover offer, NOVOMATIC has put the decision-making process back into the hands of individual shareholders, regardless of the size of their holding."

If the scheme is approved, Novomatic plans to **seek delisting of Ainsworth** from the ASX once a 75% holding and other requirements are achieved, a move that could reduce liquidity for any remaining minority shareholders. Should the scheme fail, Novomatic has indicated it will pursue a more hands-on role, potentially adding another board representative and reviewing Ainsworth's operations, assets, dividend strategy, and overall structure.

Krenn confirmed the acquisition fits within Novomatic's wider expansion plan. "The acquisition of Ainsworth is consistent with our international growth strategy and the expansion of our presence across the Asia-Pacific and the US region."

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Novomatic targets Ainsworth shareholders amid family M&A opposition



Novomatic tabled a second acquisition offer of majority-owned Ainsworth Game Technology today (20 August) amid continued family opposition.

The acquisition offer, which has not been increased from the A\$1 (€0.55) per share proposed initially, was said to be "final and will not be increased", according to 52.9% owner Novomatic.

It is structured as an unconditional cash offer for all Ainsworth shareholders and has been unanimously recommended by the Independent Board Committee in the absence of a superior proposal.

The offer will run concurrently with the original <u>Scheme of Arrangement</u>, which is set for a shareholder vote on **29 August vote**.

The new bid comes as many shareholders, including members of the Ainsworth family, oppose the offer, arguing that it undervalues the business.

Reports suggest that shareholders representing around 20% of total share capital <u>are</u> opposed, leaving the Scheme of Arrangement on the brink of failure.

Novomatic signals possible review

In the new bid, Novomatic said: "We note that a small number of AGI Shareholders including members of the Ainsworth family, have indicated they will not support the Scheme.

"This decision, if implemented, may block the Scheme and would eliminate the opportunity for AGI Shareholders to participate in the Scheme.

"By providing the option to sell into the Offer, Novomatic has put the decision-making process back into the hands of AGI Shareholders, regardless of the size of their holding."

The Austrian gaming supplier added it believed it is highly unlikely another bidder will lodge a better offer given the cash premium offered compared to previous trading values.

If the overall takeover fails, Novomatic said it intends to adopt a more active approach to managing the business including via a possible fifth director appointed on the board.

The company also argued this could take the form of a strategic review of Ainsworth's business, including its dividend and cash retention policy, assets, operations, structure, employees, considering future capital requirements and funding mix.

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Novomatic tables 'best and final' Ainsworth takeover offer



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Novomatic has launched a second takeover bid for **Ainsworth Game Technology** (AGT), however, has held firm on its 'best and final' valuation.

Alongside a previously tabled scheme of arrangement, Novomatic has announced a cash takeover offer for the Australian-based poker machine manufacturer.

What remains consistent between the two offers is the price, as Novomatic once again offered AGT's shareholders AU\$1 per share – representing a 35% premium on AGT's shares.

As the takeover offer is unconditional, Novomatic is also eligible to purchase Ainsworth shares on-market at or below \$1 per share.

Shareholder unrest

Novomatic, which currently holds a 52.9% controlling stake in AGT, has introduced a second offer in response to previous dissatisfaction of the aforementioned scheme offer.

Kjerulf Ainsworth, son of founder **Len Ainsworth** and second-largest shareholder, accused the company of undervaluing its US property assets and stated his belief that Novomatic's offer should be closer to \$3 per share.

"We'd like full access to the properties for an updated valuation," he told the **Australian Financial Review** in July. "A clear answer on when the properties were last valued, by whom, the assessed value and the methodology ... an answer as to why the independent board about the scheme has not addressed the property valuations."

Other AGT shareholders, including **Allan Gray**, **Spheria Asset Management** and **Kanen Wealth Management**, have also expressed their disappointment in the proposal, stating that it undervalues the business.

Novomatic acknowledged the lack of support for the scheme from "a small number of shareholders", but argued that by providing an option to sell into a takeover offer, Novomatic has put control into the hands of AGT's individual shareholders.

"Novomatic's unconditional takeover offer provides instant liquidity to all Ainsworth shareholders and ensures every Ainsworth shareholder is able to make their own decision in relation to the offer, regardless of the outcome of the Scheme meeting," said Novomatic Board Member **Stefan Krenn**.

AGT's independent board committee has provided its backing of the offers and recommended AGT's shareholders accept them both in the absence of a superior proposal.

Next steps

A meeting to vote on the scheme of arrangement is scheduled for 29 August, although Novomatic expects AGT will apply to court for a postponement of the meeting in light of the new offer,

If the scheme is not approved by shareholders, Novomatic has confirmed that it plans to adopt a more active approach to the management of its investment in Ainsworth.

Measures would include increasing the representation of Novomatic on AGT's board through the appointment of a Novomatic representative as a fifth director, and a strategic review of AGT's business operations.

Novomatic also set forth its plans to delist AGT from the ASX if its shareholding exceeds 75%.

igaming.org, 20.08.2025

Novomatic Makes Final Offer to Take Over Ainsworth Shares



Australian slot machine maker Ainsworth Game Technology has confirmed that its majority owner Novomatic has returned with a fresh bid to take full control of the company. The Austrian casino technology group, led by founder Johann Graf, already owns just over half of Ainsworth and now wants to buy the rest at AUD1.00 per share.

Good to know

- Novomatic already controls 52.9% of Ainsworth's shares
- The AUD1.00 per share offer values Ainsworth at around AUD336 million
- Ainsworth's independent committee continues to recommend shareholder approval in the absence of a better offer

The offer, described as "final" and "unconditional," will not be raised further. In a Wednesday filing with the Australian Securities Exchange, Ainsworth confirmed that Novomatic's communication qualifies as an alternative takeover bid under its existing scheme implementation deed dated April 28, 2025.

Ainsworth's stock edged higher on the news, trading at AUD1.01 on Wednesday morning. Some investors have previously argued that Novomatic undervalued the company, but the latest proposal puts shareholders in a position where they must weigh certainty of liquidity against potential long-term performance.

The company's independent board committee said it continues to unanimously recommend that shareholders vote in favor of the scheme unless a superior proposal appears. Ainsworth also noted that it will seek court approval to circulate additional information and to delay the shareholder scheme meeting originally scheduled for August 29.

In its <u>first-half 2025 results</u>, Ainsworth acknowledged that the AUD1.00 per share offer implied an equity value of AUD336 million, which was below the company's net asset value at the time. Management flagged this as an impairment trigger and recorded a AUD2.1 million impairment charge against its online division, citing underperformance in financial results.

Novomatic framed the move as giving Ainsworth shareholders more choice:

"By providing the option to sell into the offer, Novomatic has put the decision-making process back into the hands of Ainsworth's shareholders, regardless of the size of their holding."

The company also noted that some shareholders, including members of the Ainsworth family, have signaled they may not support the scheme. If that stance holds, it could block the scheme and remove an option for shareholders to participate. Novomatic, however, emphasized that both the scheme and the takeover bid remain active in parallel.

newsnet5.com, 20.08.2025

Novomatic Presents Revised Offer to Acquire Ainsworth Game Technology



Novomatic Submits a Renewed Acquisition Proposal for Ainsworth

Recently, Novomatic responded to criticisms from key stakeholders of Ainsworth Game Technology (ATG) who felt that the initial takeover offer undervalued the company. In light of the feedback, Novomatic has come forward with an improved and unconditional offer for ATG.

Details of Novomatic's Unconditional Takeover Offer

Novomatic, a leading European gaming corporation, proposed to acquire all remaining outstanding shares of ATG that it does not already own. The company set the purchase price at AUD 1 per share, which translates into an approximate total offer of AUD 158.6 million (around \$104 million USD).

This takeover bid has been declared final by Novomatic and was confirmed by ATG ahead of its first-half 2025 earnings announcement. Moreover, ATG indicated that Novomatic has waived any conditional requirements, making this a fully unconditional offer.

Previous Opposition from Ainsworth Shareholders

Novomatic's revised offer follows reports that significant shareholders of ATG previously opposed an earlier bid from Novomatic. This coalition of investors, including a member of the founding family, felt that the initial proposal did not reflect the true value of ATG despite independent assessments that rated the previous offer as fair.

Despite that prior resistance, ATG appears positive about the updated unconditional proposal. The company has advised its shareholders to support Novomatic's current bid unless a better offer emerges.

ATG's Mixed Financial Performance in H1 2025

Meanwhile, ATG released its financial results for the first half of 2025, showing revenues of AUD 152.1 million (\$98 million), representing a strong 22.4% increase compared to the same period last year. This growth reflects ATG's recovering strength in the Asia-Pacific markets.

However, the earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation, and amortization (EBITDA) fell sharply to AUD 14.6 million (\$9.4 million), a 63.5% decrease from the previous year's AUD 40 million. Additionally, net profits suffered a decline, with profit before tax dropping 163% to AUD 1.6 million (\$1 million), and profit after tax decreasing to AUD 4.9 million (\$3.2 million).

While ATG maintained strong performance in North America and saw recovery in Asia-Pacific, it struggled to achieve positive results in the Latin American and European markets.

sportsbusiness.at, 20.08.2025

ADMIRAL ERWEITERT ZUSAMMENARBEIT MIT OPTA BY STATS PERFORM IM CONTENT-BEREICH [PARTNER-NEWS]



ADMIRAL Sportwetten baut die erfolgreiche Partnerschaft mit Opta by Stats Perform weiter aus. Ab sofort erscheinen auf news.admiral.at datenbasierte Artikel von Opta zu den spannendsten Spielen der ADMIRAL Bundesliga und der internationalen Topligen, wie zum Beispiel zum Auftakt der Deutschen Bundesliga.

Die Vorberichte auf news.admiral.at bieten tiefgehende Analysen zu den bevorstehenden Spielen – von Spielerleistungen und Teamstatistiken bis hin zu Trends aus vergangenen Begegnungen. Mit diesen datenbasierten Insights können Fußballfans ihre Lieblingsmannschaften noch besser einschätzen und bekommen spannende Hintergrundinformationen, die über den klassischen Spielbericht hinausgehen.

"Mit der Erweiterung unserer Kooperation mit Opta im Bereich der Vorberichterstattung können wir Fußballbegeisterten noch detailliertere und spannendere Einblicke in die Spiele bieten", sagt Christoph Bruckner, Head of Customer Retention & Content bei ADMIRAL Sportwetten.

agbrief.com, 20.08.2025

Novomatic makes unconditional off-market takeover bid for Ainsworth



Gaming technology supplier Novomatic has sent an unconditional off-market takeover bid for Ainsworth Game Technology, priced at AU\$1 (\$0.65) cash per share.

The offer comes after Novomatic in late April announced its intention to acquire all remaining Ainsworth it did not yet own for some AU\$336 million (\$216 million).

The move is seen as a bolster to the group's Australian operations, as the group previously held some 52.9 percent of Ainsworth's shares – purchased in 2016 from founder Len Ainsworth.

'Novomatic has stated that the offer price is final and will not be increased', indicated Ainsworth in a Wednesday filing with the Australian Securities Exchange (ASX).

The group's Independent Board Committee (IBC) notes it recommends to Ainsworth shareholders to accept the takeover bid, planning to vote all of its shares in favor of the scheme.

Ainsworth shareholders will now receive a supplementary scheme booklet regarding the takeover bid 'in or around September'.

The takeover is subject to majority approval, court approval and submission of documents to the Australian Securities and Investments Commission (ASIC) and the ASX.

The updated takeover bid comes after Ainsworth announced that it <u>saw its net profit</u> <u>drop significantly in 1H25</u>, despite seeing an increase in revenue.

In a separate statement released on Wednesday, Ainsworth indicated: 'We note that a small number of AGI Shareholders including members of the Ainsworth family, have indicated they will not support the Scheme. This decision, if implemented, may block the Scheme and would eliminate the opportunity for AGIShareholders to participate in the Scheme. By providing the option to sell into the Offer, Novomatichas put the decision-making process back into the hands of AGI Shareholders, regardless of the size of their holding.'

Australian Financial Review, 20.08.2025

Ainsworth suitor says new offer provides liquidity

Stefan Krenn, a member of the executive board of Austrian gaming giant Novomatic, has claimed a new takeover offer for Ainsworth will provide shareholders with instant liquidity.

Novomatic announced a takeover offer for Ainsworth Game Technology on Wednesday over concerns its initial proposal would be blocked by frustrated investors. Novomatic owns 52.9 per cent of ASX-listed Ainsworth, and had proposed acquiring the outstanding shares for \$1 per share under a scheme of arrangement.

"We note that a small number of shareholders including members of the Ainsworth family, have indicated they will not support the scheme of arrangement," Krenn said. "This decision, if implemented, may block the scheme and would eliminate the opportunity for Ainsworth retail shareholders to participate."

"Given the significance of our stake in Ainsworth, Novomatic intends to take a more active approach to its investment, creating greater alignment between the decision-making process and the overall investment."

The off-market takeover bid is for \$1 per share and is its final offer. It will run alongside the scheme of arrangement, which will go to a vote later this year.

Shares were up 1 per cent to \$1.01 in mid-morning trading.

finnewsnetwork.com.au, 20.08.2025

Novomatic Launches Final Ainsworth Takeover Bid



A ustrian gaming giant Novomatic has launched a second attempt to take full control of Ainsworth Game Technology, an ASX-listed poker machine manufacturer. Novomatic already holds a 52.9 per cent stake in Ainsworth and is seeking to acquire the remaining shares for \$1 per share through an off-market takeover bid. Ainsworth Game Technology is an Australian company that designs, develops, manufactures, and supplies gaming machines and associated equipment. Novomatic is a large international gaming group with operations in numerous countries.

The takeover bid comes after Novomatic's initial scheme of arrangement faced opposition from several major investors, including Allan Gray, Spheria Asset Management, and Kjerulf Ainsworth, who indicated they would vote against the deal. This opposition forced Novomatic to explore alternative options to gain complete ownership of Ainsworth.

The off-market takeover bid, also priced at \$1 per share, has been declared Novomatic's final offer. It will run concurrently with the original scheme of arrangement, which is still slated for a vote later in the year. An independent board committee of Ainsworth, which has faced criticism for allegedly not prioritising the interests of minority shareholders, is unanimously recommending the proposal to shareholders. This situation sets the stage for a crucial decision for Ainsworth shareholders as they weigh their options.

asgam.com, 20.08.2025

Novomatic submits new unconditional takeover bid for Australian slots supplier Ainsworth



European gaming giant Novomatic has submitted an alternative, unconditional bid to acquire all shares that it doesn't currently own in Australian supplier Ainsworth Game Technology (AGT) at a price of AU\$1.00 per share, representing a total consideration of AU\$158.6 million (US\$104.3 million).

AGT revealed details of the revised offer ahead of its 1H25 earnings call on Wednesday morning, stating that Novomatic's bid ranks on par with an initial bid launched in April except that Novomatic has now waived any right to include conditions in its takeover bid and it is therefore unconditional.

Novomatic has, however, stated that the offer price is final and will not be increased.

Amid local media reports that a block of AGT shareholders, led by the son of company founder Len Ainsworth, has formed an alliance that plans to vote against the takeover – arguing that it undervalues the company – AGT said in Wednesday's filing that its Independent Board Committee tasked with reviewing the Novomatic bid has unanimously recommended that shareholders vote in favor.

This comes after an Independent Expert tasked with assessing Novomatic's original bid to assume full control of described the scheme as "fair and reasonable".

In its latest filing, AGT stated, "Subject to the Independent Expert concluding and continuing to conclude that the Novomatic Takeover Bid is fair and reasonable or not fair but reasonable to Ainsworth Shareholders and there being no Superior Proposal, each member of theIndependent Board Committee intends to vote the Ainsworth Shares controlled or held by, or on behalf of, them in favor of the Scheme Resolution at the Scheme Meeting and if the relevant Scheme conditions precedent are not met, accept the Novomatic Takeover Bid."

AGT this week reported a 25% year-on-year increase in group-wide revenues to AU\$152.1 million (US\$98.1 million), aided by strong growth in the Asia-Pacific and North American markets.

agbrief.com, 20.08.2025

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ggrasia.com, 20.08.2025

Novomatic makes new and final offer to buy Ainsworth's outstanding shares



Australian slot maker Ainsworth Game Technology Ltd says it has received a fresh "off market" bid from its majority owner Novomatic AG of AUD1.00 (US\$0.645) per share for the shares Novomatic does not currently control, but with the latest bid being "final" and "unconditional", and one that "will not be increased".

That is according to a Wednesday filing by Ainsworth to the Australian Securities Exchange (ASX), citing communication from Novomatic. Ainsworth's shares were up 1.0 percent in Wednesday morning trading, at AUD1.01.

The Austrian casino technology maker, and its founder and owner Johann Graf, collectively currently control 52.9 percent of Ainsworth's shares.

It had been reported previously in Australian media that some investors thought Novomatic had undervalued Ainsworth.

Wednesday's filing stated that Ainsworth's "independent board committee" thought that the latest Novomatic communication "qualifies as an alternative takeover bid under... the scheme implementation deed dated 28 April 2025".

The Australian slot maker stated: "Novomatic notified Ainsworth of its intention to make an unconditional off-market takeover bid for AUD1.00 cash per share to acquire all outstanding shares in Ainsworth that Novomatic or its associates do not currently own."

Ainsworth added: "Novomatic has stated that the offer price is final and will not be increased."

It also noted: "The independent board committee maintains their unanimous recommendation that Ainsworth shareholders vote in favour of the scheme, in the absence of a superior proposal and subject to the independent expert continuing to conclude that the scheme is in the best interests of Ainsworth shareholders."

As a result of Novomatic's communication being deemed an alternative takeover offer, Ainsworth said it will apply to the Australian court dealing with the so-called scheme of arrangement matter, for permission to send supplementary information to Ainsworth shareholders, and to defer the scheme meeting for shareholders – currently scheduled for August 29.

The Australian slot business had mentioned in its <u>first-half 2025 results</u> on Tuesday, that the AUD1.00 per share offer "implies an equity value of AUD336 million which was below the group's net asset carrying value both on the offer date and as at 30 June 2025".

Ainsworth added: "In accordance with the group's accounting policies, this constituted an impairment indicator, triggering an assessment of whether the carrying values of any cash-generating unit (CGU) or group of CGUs" within Ainsworth "exceeded their recoverable amount as at 30 June 2025."

Ainsworth stated in its results: "Management has recognised an impairment charge of AUD2.1 million against the carrying value of [the] online CGU, reflecting the underperformance in financial results" of the online gaming segment.

In its statement on the fresh takeover offer, Novomatic said that while the "scheme remains active and runs in parallel with the offer," it believed that Ainsworth's shareholders "are provided with choice, and certainty about liquidity and performance of Ainsworth's shares".

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The Austrian firm added: "By providing the option to sell into the offer, Novomatic has put the decision-making process back into the hands of Ainsworth's shareholders, regardless of the size of their holding."

gamingintelligence.com, 20.08.2025

Greentube extends South Africa reach with Hollywoodbets



Novomatic's iGaming subsidiary, Greentube, has rolled out its portfolio of online casino games with Hollywoodbets in South Africa.

The rollout includes a selection of Greentube's most popular titles, such as Lucky Lady's Charm Deluxe, Book of Ra Deluxe, and Sizzling Hot Deluxe.

Hollywoodbets will also utilise Greentube's Mynt platform, which comprises several modules, including its remote gaming server.

This marks Greentube's third rollout in the market this year after going live with Goldrush and Supabets in April.

"Hollywoodbets is a renowned operator in the South African iGaming market and one that we are very excited to be partnering with," said Greentube chief product and revenue officer Michael Bauer.

"This collaboration represents a key step in our regional growth strategy, and we're thrilled to bring our premium content to an even broader audience through such a respected brand."

Wayde Dorkin, head of product at Hollywoodbets, added: "At Hollywoodbets, our focus is on delivering world-class entertainment and exceptional value to our players.

"Partnering with Greentube enables us to significantly enhance our slots offering with some of the most recognisable and engaging titles in the industry, further strengthening our position as South Africa's leading gaming operator."

Hotel Sacher kommt unter den Hammer

Baden. Zwangsversteigerung wurde für den 2. September angesetzt. Unternehmer Siegmund Kahlbacher glaubt, das abwenden zu können.

Von Markus Foschum

Das Gebäude wurde ursprünglich 1881 im Jagdschloss-Stil erbaut, steht auf einem 2.300 Quadratmeter großen Grundstück, mit ruhiger und wunderschöner Lage am Eingang zum Helenental, beherbergt 38 Gästezimmer und hat einen Schätzwert von 4,6 Millionen Euro. Wessen Interesse nun durch solche Eckdaten geweckt ist, der sollte am 2. September um 13 Uhr ins Bezirksgericht Baden kommen. Denn für diesen Termin ist die Zwangsversteigerung des Hotels Sacher angesetzt. Das geringste Gebot beträgt 1,3 Millionen Euro.

Lange Tradition

Damit kommt eine geschichtsträchtige Immobilie unter den Hammer. 1882 wurde ein bestehendes Brauhaus von Carl Sacher, Sohn des berühmten Tortenerfinders Franz Sacher, erworben. In dem folgenden Hotel waren viele Prominente zu Gast, darunter auch Kaiserin Elisabeth.

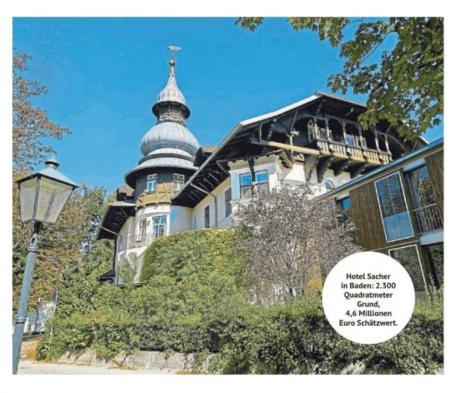
2010 wurde das damals schon seit einigen Jahren leer stehende Hotel vom Glücksspielkonzern Novomatic gekauft. Wenige Jahre später wurde der Betrieb aber wieder geschlossen. Für den Badener Tourismus eine schwierige Zeit, denn kurz zuvor war schon für das Grand Hotel Sauerhof im Zuge eines Konkurses das Aus gekommen.

Große Pläne

2015 kam dann Bewegung in die angeschlagene Badener Hotelszene. Hoffnung weckten die asiatische Investmentfirma K.Y.A.T.T. mit ihrem Österreich-Geschäftsführer Siegmund Kahlbacher, Diese erwarb 2015 sowohl den Sauerhof als auch das Sacher und kündigte große Pläne mit den Hotels an. Während das Sacher in Betrieb ging, erwachte der Sauerhof - trotz vieler Ankündigungen - nie wieder aus seinem Dornröschenschlaf.

Zuletzt änderten sich die Rahmenbedingungen wieder grundlegend. Der Sauerhof ging im Herbst 2024 nach Liquiditätsproblemen von Kahlbacher an den Investor und Antiquitätenhändler Jürgen Hesz. Dieser weckte zuletzt Hoffnungen in Baden, dass das Grandhotel endlich doch revitalisiert werden könnte.

"Ich kann mir vorstellen, hier zu investieren", sagte Hesz im Mai 2025. Denkbar sei, "entweder mit super-professionellen Betreibern zu arbeiten, oder wir machen es



selber", kündigte Hesz an. "Man befindet sich in der Projektentwicklung. Wir erwarten, dass hier noch heuer etwas passiert", gibt sich Tourismusdirektor Klaus Lorenz optimistisch.

"Ich habe eine Lösung"

Nun könnte auch das Hotel Sacher einen neuen Besitzer bekommen. Hintergrund ist, dass im Juli 2024 ein Insolvenzverfahren eröffnet wurde. Weil dieses aber die Besitz- und nicht die Betriebsgesellschaft betreffe, ist das Haus aktuell weiter geöffnet. "Das Hotel geht gut, wir sind voll", sagt Kahlbacher zum KURIER. Zur Versteigerung am 2. September meint er: "Ich bin zuversichtlich, dass es nicht so weit kommen wird. Wir sind gerade dabei, das zu regeln. Ich habe schon eine Lösung." Man darf gespannt sein. Für die Stadt ist es jedenfalls wichtig, dass es mit dem Sacher weitergeht, wie Klaus Lorenz betont.

Auch für ein zweites Badener Hotel war eine Zwangsversteigerung angesetzt. Und zwar stand am 8. August das Schlosshotel Oth auf der Liste. In diesem Fall wurde die Versteigerung aber abgesagt. Das Hotel ist seit rund zehn Jahren geschlossen, der Zustand sei "sehr stark sanierungsbedürftig".

Taunus Zeitung, 20.08.2025

Wohlfühlräume für Feuerwehr-Nachwuchs

Jugend hat nun einen eigenen Bereich, den auch Mammolshains Aktive nutzen dürfen

Mammolshain - "Schauen Sie, wir fangen am besten hier vorne an", sagt Wehrführer Henning Rackow, während er gemeinsam mit dem Vereinsvorsitzenden Dieter Lezius die frisch renovierten Räume im Feuerwehr-Gebäude zeigt. Böden und Wände strahlen. Im Badezimmer der ehemaligen Wohnung des Gerätewarts, im ersten Stock neben der Fahrzeughalle, beginnt die "Reise". Das Ergebnis kann sich sehen lassen. Es ist das Resultat unzähliger ehrenamtlicher Arbeitsstunden. Die Kameraden haben in Eigenleistung angepackt. Am Tag der Feuerwehr Mammolshain führen sie stolz durch die vier Zimmer plus Küche, Bad und Gäste-WC.

Fitnessgeräte und Tischkicker gespendet

"Wir haben lange nach einer Lösung gesucht. Nun haben unsere Jugendlichen endlich einen eigenen Bereich und auch die Aktiven sollen sich hier wohlfühlen", erläutert der Wehrführer. Elektronik und andere Leitungen wurden überprüft. Böden neu verlegt. Armaturen ausgetauscht und alles aufgehübscht. Die blauen Kacheln im Bad glänzen. Frisch gewienert präsentiert sich der neue Treffpunkt. Die Räume verschaffen den zehn Aktiven der Jugendwehr und den 20 Wehrleuten der Einsatzabteilung viel Mehrwert schaffen. Einen höheren vierstelligen Betrag hat die Feuerwehr trotz

ehrenamtlicher Arbeitsstunden für Material und mehr für die Renovierung bezahlt. Die Stadt hat sich beteiligt. 120 Mitglieder gehören dem Feuerwehr-Verein an. Damit Nachwuchs nachrückt und Aktive nachrücken, brauche es Anreize, Motivation und Wertschätzung für das Ehrenamt, betont der Feuerwehrvorstand.

Kerstin Heiß aus Fulda ist neugierig, wo ihre Sachspende hingekommen ist. Sie kennt von Berufswegen den stellvertretenden Vereinsvorsitzenden der Wehr, Jens-Alfred Link, und erfuhr von der Renovierung. Sie löste zu dieser Zeit eine Wohnung auf und konnte einiges beisteuern. Nahezu nagelneue Fitnessgeräte gehören dazu sowie eine Wärmekabine. Die Wehrleute holten alles ab. Jetzt stehen Laufband, Muskelstation, Stepper, Kardiogerät und sogar die Wärmekabine in den Gemeinschaftsräumen. "So etwas hätten wir uns allein nie leisten können", sagt Wehrführer Rackow dankbar. Neben dem Jugendraum mit Sofaecke, Fernseher, Spielen und Regalwand, ebenso aus Spenden, gibt es nun einen Bereich mit Wellness- und Fitnesscharakter, den alle nutzen dürfen.

Sebastian Foethke von der Firma Löwen Entertainment aus Bingen, auch mit den Wehrleuten bekannt, gab noch einen nagelneuen Tischkicker obendrauf. Ruckzuck ist das Gerät in Beschlag genommen – klack, klack, klack. Der Ball fliegt übers Feld, Tore fallen.

"Geschuftet und gestrichen"

Jugendwart Thilo Maier sagt: "Ein fester Kern von hat hier viele Stunden geschuftet, gestrichen, Böden verlegt. Möbel aufgebaut. Ohne diesen Einsatz wäre das alles nicht möglich gewesen." Vor dem Gerätehaus in der Oberstraße reihen sich die Menschen auf, um die neuen Räumlichkeiten zu sehen. Zum Tag der Feuerwehr sind die Fahrzeuge, Spiele, Tattoos und das Feuerwehr-Quiz, das Louis Gollnest mit seinen Kameraden vorbereitet hat. Die Fragen beschäftigen sich mit den Werten und der Organisation der Wehr. Gollnest verrät die Antwort auf die Frage, welche Aufgaben die Wehr hat: "Löschen, bergen, retten, schützen." Danach zeigt er die Station "Lösch den Lukas". Dort dürfen Kinder im Rahmen des Ratespiels auch mit dem Wasserschlauch ein Bällchen in einem Rohr nach oben spritzen.

Zum geplanten Gerätehaus-Neubau "Am Mönchswald" erklären die Kameraden, dass jetzt ein Bedarfsplan erstellt und dann geprüft wird. Danach geht es in die nächste Phase, wie der Bau letztlich ausgestaltet wird. Bis der Neubau eingeweiht wird, werden noch einige Jahre vergehen. Gut Ding will Weile haben. ESTHER FUCHS

agbrief.com, 19.08.2025

Ainsworth sees net profit plunge 65% in 1H25 despite revenue surge



Australian gaming machine manufacturer <u>Ainsworth Game Technology</u> (AGT) reported a sharp 65 percent decline in net profit attributable to members for the first half of 2025, dropping to AU\$4.9 million (\$3.2 million) from AU\$14 million (\$9.1 million) in 1H24.

This downturn occurred even as revenue rose 25 percent to AU\$152.1 million (\$98.9 million) from AU\$121.4 million (\$78.9 million). The results, released on August 19th, 2025, highlight challenges from foreign currency fluctuations and one-off costs amid growth in land-based sales.

The profit drop was primarily driven by foreign exchange losses of AU\$8.6 million (\$5.6 million). These losses stemmed from balance sheet translations related to investments in the Americas, due to a weaker US dollar against the Australian dollar at the reporting date.

Additionally, statutory profit before tax was impacted by **NOVOMATIC transaction** costs of AU\$1.6 million (\$1 million). Novomatic on Wednesday announced an **updated unconditional takeover bid** for the shares of Ainsworth it doesn't already own.

Despite the economic headwinds, underlying profit before tax remained largely flat at AU\$13.9 million (\$9 million), compared to AU\$14.3 million (\$9.3 million) in 1H24.

Revenue growth was fueled by increased land-based sales across key regions, particularly in North America and Asia Pacific. In Australia, improved contributions followed the February 2025 release of the RaptorTM cabinet. However, the gross margin fell to 56 percent from 67 percent in 1H24, affected by the product sales mix in North America and Latin America, as well as a decline in high-margin online revenue.

On the revenue side, participation and lease revenue slightly decreased to AU\$32.2 million (\$20.9 million) from AU\$33.3 million (\$21.7 million), representing 21 percent of total revenue compared to 27 percent previously. Positively, recurring connection fees from Ainsworth's Historical Horse Racing (HHR) products and systems rose to AU\$20.9 million (\$13.6 million) from AU\$15.9 million (\$10.3 million), reflecting growing contributions to results.

Underlying EBITDA held steady at AU\$26.9 million (\$17.5 million), similar to 1H24, though the underlying margin slipped to 18 percent from 22 percent, reflecting pressures from the revenue mix and competitive conditions.

Financially, AGT's balance sheet showed resilience, with a net cash position of AU\$1.4 million (\$0.9 million) at June 30th, 2025, improving from a net debt position of AU\$11.1 million (\$7.2 million) a year earlier but down from AU\$9.7 million (\$6.3 million) at December 31st, 2024.

intergameonline.com, 19.08.2025

Ainsworth passes \$150m in H1

August 19, 2025 by Richard Hollis









Ainsworth has released its financials for the six-month period ending June 30, 2025, showing a growth in revenue to AU\$152.1, up from \$121.4m year-on-year.



Underlying EBITDA was up 0.1 per cent, from \$26.8m to \$26.9m, while net assets were also up at \$356.4m from \$333.9m.

"Despite the challenges encountered,

the result for the current period was in line with our expectations," declared AGT's chairman Danny Gladstone. "Development activities previously undertaken have ensured sustainable profitability, with revenue increasing 25.3 per cent and 6.6 per cent in the current period compared to the PCP and the prior half (H2 24), respectively."

Harald Neumann, AGT's chief executive officer, added: "We continue to execute on established strategies and capitalise on opportunities that emerge. The investments made have enabled us to upgrade our technology, hardware and continue to improve game performance which are expected to ensure we maintain our position in a highly competitive and consolidating market."

gamblinginsider.com, 19.08.2025

ONLINE LAND-BASED CASINO FINANCIAL RESULTS IGAMING

Ainsworth: H1 2025 revenue up 22% to AU\$152.1m

The supplier's positive upswing in revenue is juxtaposed by plummeting reported EBITDA and profits figures year-on-year.



Key points:

- Ainsworth has reported a revenue figure of AU\$152.1m for H1 2025
- This rising figure juxtaposes drops in both profits and EBITDA year-on-year
- The company has reported positive performances in North America and Asia-Pacific, mixed with poor results from LatAm and Europe

Ainsworth Game Technology has unveiled its full H1 2025 financial results, highlighting a revenue figure of AU\$152.1m (US\$98.3m) for the period, up 22.4% year-on-year.

Indeed, this revenue figure also represents a marked increase from the prior half period ending 31 December 2025, in which the supplier reported revenue of AU\$142.7m.

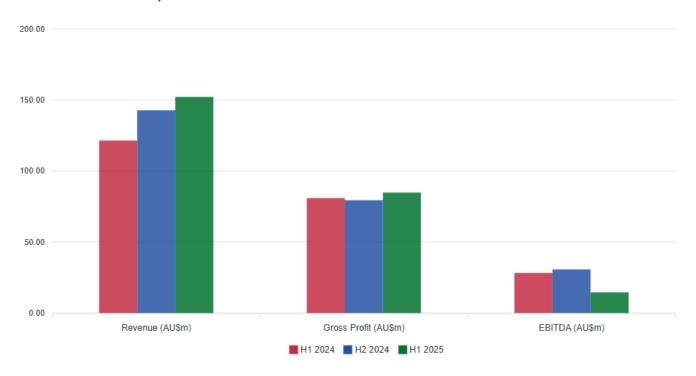
Nevertheless, over the course of the most recent six-month period, the supplier's international percentage of total sales and number of units under gaming operations have both hit their lowest respective points since H2 2023.

Ainsworth H1 2025 overview

In more detail, Ainsworth's positive revenue increase both year-on-year and half-on-half has been juxtaposed by a reported EBITDA figure that has dropped some 63.5% year-on-year, settling at AU\$14.6m during H1 2025. This figure came paired with an EBITDA margin of 10%, down from the 23% reported during the same period of the prior – a drop attributable to gross margin pressures in product sales, according to Ainsworth. Underlying EBITDA managed to remain almost entirely flat.

Regarding profits, gross profit figures for H1 2025 reached AU\$84.8m, up by 4.7% year-on-year. Profit before tax, however, snowballed by 163% in comparison to results from the year prior, settling at AU\$1.6 – with profits after tax also falling from AU\$14m in H1 2024 to AU\$4.9m in this year's first half.

Ainsworth Revenue, Profit & EBITDA



Unsurprisingly, total operating costs for the company were up by 4% year-on-year to AU\$71.4m, a figure almost identical to that of the one reported by Ainsworth during the second half of 2024. Elsewhere, Ainsworth's total assets rose to AU\$435.1 from AU\$422.6 last H1, with total debt also falling to AU\$11.4m from AU\$24.1m during the same period of the prior year

Ainsworth results by region

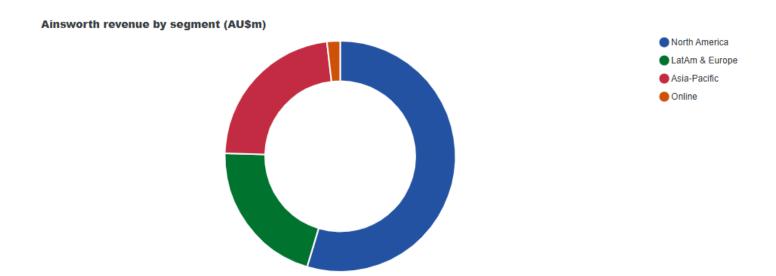
Overall, the supplier specified as part of its release that increasing recurring revenue figures from the North American market was offset by lower online revenues and pressure in the LatAm market.

In the North American market, the supplier reported a revenue figure of AU\$83.1m, up 20.1% year-on-year and 4.9% half-on-half – with gross profit hitting AU\$52.4m, up 7.5% from H1 2024 and 0.9% from H2 2024. Segment EBITDA for the region also rose by approximately AU\$1m half-on-half and 8.7% year-on-year, settling at AU\$43.1m. Segment profit also reached AU\$36m, up 9.9% year-on-year.

In the LatAm and European regions, profits were up 7.5% year-on-year, reaching AU\$31.6m. However, this figure represents a drop of 17% in comparison to the prior half. Indeed, overall profits and segment EBITDA for the regions was down both year-on-year and half-on-half.

In opposition to this, the AU\$34.6m generated by the Asia-Pacific region during H1 2025 represented a 57.7% increase year-on-year and a 37% increase in comparison to results from the second half of 2024. Indeed, both segment gross profits and EBITDA from the region were subject to similarly positive upswings, settling at AU\$13.9m and AU\$8.2m, respectively.

As shown in the graph below, online revenue company-wide was down by almost half during the first half of this calendar year compared to the same period of 2024, but up by 11% compared to last year's second half.



Good to know: During H1 2025, Novomatic proposed the acquisition of the remaining 47.1% shares in Ainsworth at a value of US\$1 per share

Company comments

Specified as part of the concluding remarks to the supplier's H1 2025 financial presentation, Ainsworth stated with relation to its online operations: "Ainsworth Interactive is evolving its strategy with a sharp focus on accelerating game development and expanding our digital footprint. With direct control of our US online sales distribution, we've deepened our relationships with major operators including BetMGM, DraftKings, Caesars and Rush Street. New operators that will launch Ainsworth games later in 2025 will include FanDuel and Fanatics casinos.

"Our direct-to-operator approach will enable us to deliver custom-tailored gaming experiences that much better match the needs of each partner's player base. In 2025, we're also expanding our distribution channels to capture new segments and increase recurring revenue. This includes strengthening our position in the social casino space through Zynga's Hit It Rich, while laying the groundwork for future omni-channel integrations."

ggrasia.com, 19.08.2025

Slot maker Ainsworth sees 1H profit down 65pct y-o-y



Australia-listed slot machine maker Ainsworth Game Technology Ltd reported first-half net profit down 65.0 percent year-on-year, to AUD4.9 million (US\$3.2 million), from AUD14.0 million a year earlier.

That was on total segment revenue that grew 25.3 percent year-on-year in the six months to June 30, to AUD1521 million

The firm said in a Tuesday filing to the Australian Securities Exchange: "Despite higher revenue, the lower 35-percent segment margin compared to the prior calendar period was affected by gross profit from product mix of sales in Latin America, competitive market conditions, [and] the planned run-out of previous generation cabinets prior to the launch of the A-Star Raptor across additional markets during the current period."

In an accompanying statement, Danny Gladstone, Ainsworth's chairman, was quoted saying: "Despite the challenges encountered, the result for the current period was in line with our expectations."

He added: "Development activities previously undertaken have ensured sustainable profitability, with revenue increasing 25.3 percent and 6.6 percent in the current period compared to the prior calendar period and the prior half – second half of calendar year 2024 – respectively".

The company noted: "The implementation of cost measures focusing on technology, development, and culture to improve product performance, lift staff retention rates and enable the attraction of experienced development talent resulted in improved fixed cost leverage in research and development and administration expenses."

The group's first-half earnings before interest, taxation, depreciation, and amortisation (EBITDA) slipped 48.2 percent year-on-year, to AUD14.6 million. The group's earnings presentation stated the latest EBITDA figure included AUD8.7-million worth of "currency translation losses", compared to "AUD2.0 million and AUD7.6-million currency translation gains" in the prior-year period and prior half respectively.

Ainsworth said that as of June 30 this year, it had a total of 3,688 of its slot machine units under operation, generating AUD11.3-million in recurring revenue. Ainsworth stated this was "a reduction of 7 percent on the prior calendar period, however a 9 percent increase compared to the prior half, with the average yield being maintained at US\$12 per day".

Asia Pacific slots, online segment

The firm said that in its Asia Pacific segment – covering Australia, New Zealand, and the rest of the region – "performance was significantly improved in the period following the release of the A-Star Raptor cabinet in February 2025".

Asia Pacific revenue was AUD34.6 million, "an increase of 81 percent on the AUD19.1 million in the prior calendar period", said the company.

The region achieved 1,049 unit sales in the period, "a 90 percent increase" year-on-year. Average selling prices were maintained at AUD25,900, consistent with the prior-year period, it noted.

"Segment profit improved to AUD7.9 million (23 percent), compared to AUD1.6 million (8 percent) in the prior calendar period," added Ainsworth.

Ainsworth also has North America and Latin America/Europe business segments.

The company also gave in its first-half results some commentary on the offer made on April 28, for its Austrian majority owner Novomatic AG, to <u>acquire the remaining minority shareholdings</u> for AUD1.00 per share.

Ainsworth noted: "The aggregate offer value implies an equity value of AUD336 million which was below the group's net asset carrying value both on the offer date and as at 30 June 2025.

"In accordance with the group's accounting policies, this constituted an impairment indicator, triggering an assessment of whether the carrying values of any cash-generating unit (CGU) or group of CGUs exceeded their recoverable amount as at 30 June 2025."

Ainsworth stated: "Management has recognised an impairment charge of AUD2.1 million against the carrying value of [the] online CGU, reflecting the underperformance in financial results."

Segment revenue from online gaming fell 45.1 percent year-on-year to AUD2.8 million in the first half this year.

gamblinginsider.com, 19.08.2025

ONLINE CASINO PARTNERSHIPS

Greentube partners with Hollywoodbets to expand South African presence

The agreement, supported by Novomatic Africa, introduces Greentube's Mynt platform and Novomatic slot titles to Hollywoodbets players.



Key points:

- Greentube signs content partnership with South Africa's Hollywoodbets
- Rollout includes Book of Ra Deluxe, Lucky Lady's Charm Deluxe and Sizzling Hot Deluxe
- Deal follows recent collaborations with Hrvatska Lutrija in Croatia and bet365 in Germany

Greentube, the digital gaming and entertainment division of Novomatic, has secured a new partnership with Hollywoodbets to expand its reach in South Africa.

The agreement, facilitated by Novomatic Africa, comes five months after Greentube formally launched in the country in March 2025. The rollout will be delivered via the supplier's Mynt platform, which includes a Remote Gaming Server and modules designed to support scalable content delivery.

As part of the partnership, Hollywoodbets customers now have access to titles such as Book of Ra Deluxe, Sizzling Hot Deluxe and Lucky Lady's Charm Deluxe. These games form part of Novomatic's longestablished portfolio, already familiar to many players across international regulated markets.

Good to know: Hollywoodbets is a South African betting operator, offering sports, casino and live dealer content and has expanded its digital presence in recent years

Michael Bauer, Greentube CPO/CRO, said: "Hollywoodbets is a renowned operator in the South African iGaming market and one that we are very excited to be partnering with. This collaboration represents a key step in our regional growth strategy and we're thrilled to bring our premium content to an even broader audience through such a respected brand."

Wayde Dorkin, Hollywoodbets Head of Product, said: "Partnering with Greentube enables us to significantly enhance our slots offering with some of the most recognisable and engaging titles in the industry."

Earlier this month, Greentube announced an agreement with Croatia's national lottery, Hrvatska Lutrija, to provide slot content through Bragg and Intralot. In July, Greentube also partnered with Zeal and bet365 to roll out its content across German lottery and online platforms.

focusgn.com, 19.08.2025

Greentube expands presence in South African market with Hollywoodbets collaboration



Michael Bauer, CPO/CRO at Greentube.

Players at Hollywoodbets are now able to access a range of Novomatic's and Greentube's award-winning gaming portfolio.

Press release.- <u>Greentube</u>, the NOVOMATIC Digital Gaming and Entertainment division, has further extended its foothold in the <u>South African market</u> after partnering with leading operator, Hollywoodbets.

This pivotal deal, facilitated by NOVOMATIC Africa, sets a standard for Greentube's ambitions in the country since it launched in March 2025. The content rollout will utilise Greentube's innovative Mynt platform.

The integration guarantees that **engaging content** will reach the broad and active user base of one of the nation's top betting brands.

Greentube Mynt comprises several modules, with a state-of-the-art Remote Gaming Server (RGS) at its core. It serves as the foundation for a future-proof, comprehensive gaming solution that enhances player engagement and retention and powers efficient content deployment.

Players at Hollywoodbets are now able to access a range of Novomatic's and Greentube's award-winning gaming portfolio, including hit titles Lucky Lady's Charm Deluxe, Book of Ra Deluxe, and Sizzling Hot Deluxe.

The provider's continued expansion throughout the country underscores

Greentube's endeavour to **enhance gaming throughout South Africa**, offering its unique and immersive content to even more players.

Hollywoodbets has been serving players in the continent's biggest betting market for decades, sitting proudly at its head, and providing its growing customer base with **comprehensive slots, live casino and sports betting offerings** from the world's leading providers.

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Wayde Dorkin, head of product at Hollywoodbets, added: "At Hollywoodbets, our focus is on delivering world-class entertainment and exceptional value to our players. Partnering with Greentube enables us to significantly enhance our slots offering with some of the most recognisable and engaging titles in the industry, further strengthening our position as South Africa's leading gaming operator."

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GREENTUBE EXPANDS IN SOUTH AFRICA THROUGH HOLLYWOODBETS PARTNERSHIP

South Africa's iGaming sector continues to court international interest as **Greentube** teams up with **Hollywoodbets**.

This move builds on Greentube, NOVOMATIC's digital gaming arm, launching in the country earlier this year. The firm is now signalling its ambition to make a bigger mark in the market.

Hollywoodbets' customers now have access to Greentube's portfolio including its NOVOMATIC titles, such as Lucky Lady's Charm Deluxe, Book of Ra Deluxe and Sizzling Hot Deluxe.

Reaching more players

The rollout uses Greentube's Mynt platform, which is built around a modern Remote Gaming Server (RGS) designed to keep players engaged and allow operators to quickly deploy new content.

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A growing footprint

Hollywoodbets on the other hand has been a mainstay in South Africa's betting world for several years, offering slots, live casino and sports betting.

The operator also sponsors teams like the Dolphins and Sharks, supports grassroots football initiatives and backs the SAFA National Women's Soccer League, helping grow local sport and provide opportunities for emerging talent.

On the tech side, Hollywoodbets has introduced tools like BetBuilder, letting customers create custom bets, while partnering with gaming providers to expand interactive casino offerings.

These innovations aim to enhance the player experience whilst reinforcing the company's role in South Africa's sports and gaming landscape.

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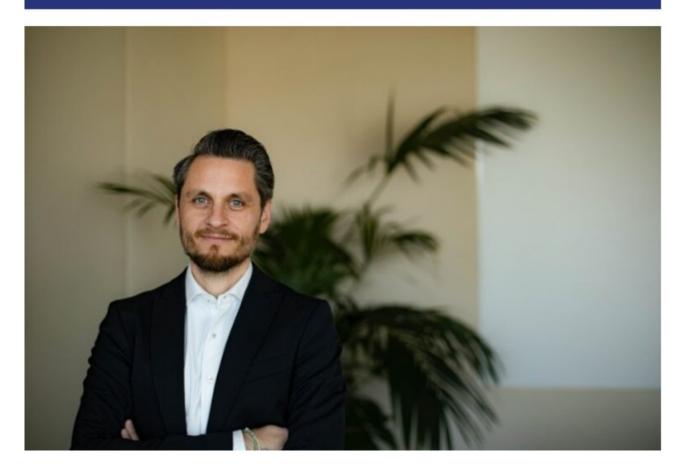
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iGaming in South Africa has been growing fast, with online casino games and digital betting becoming a bigger part of the scene. An increasing number of players are using smartphones and tablets, making mobile platforms the go-to way to play.

The market is seeing both new entrants and established operators enhancing their online platforms in a tight competition for market share. Now, research expects the sector to keep expanding and possibly reach ZAR 80bn (around £3.3bn) by 2030.

igamingfuture.com, 19.08.2025

Hollywoodbets Partners with Greentube to Expand in South Africa



G reentube, the NOVOMATIC Digital Gaming and Entertainment division, has extended its presence in South Africa through a new collaboration with operator Hollywoodbets. The deal, supported by NOVOMATIC Africa, follows Greentube's market entry in March 2025 and will see content distributed via its Mynt platform.

The agreement introduces Hollywoodbets' customers to a range of Novomatic and Greentube titles, including Lucky Lady's Charm Deluxe, Book of Ra Deluxe, and Sizzling Hot Deluxe. Mynt, which incorporates a remote gaming server at its core, is designed to streamline content deployment while supporting player engagement and retention.

Greentube's expansion in South Africa is part of a wider strategy to build market share in regulated territories, with Hollywoodbets providing access to one of the largest customer bases in the country's betting sector. The operator has an established position in Africa's largest regulated gambling market, offering a mix of slots, live casino, and sports betting content.

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ADMIRAL VERLÄNGERT PARTNERSCHAFTEN MIT VIENNA UND AUSTRIA WIEN



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ADMIRAL Sportwetten bleibt auch in der Saison 2025/26 offizieller Teampartner des First Vienna FC 1894 und setzt zugleich die langjährige Zusammenarbeit mit FK Austria Wien fort.

Beim First Vienna FC 1894 begleitet ADMIRAL den Klub weiterhin als Teampartner. Das Engagement umfasst sowohl den Männer- als auch den Frauenbereich des Vereins. "Die Vienna ist ein Kultverein mit einer klaren Vision, starken Werten und großem Potential", erklärte ADMIRAL-Geschäftsführer **Jürgen Irsigler**.

Auch Vienna-Geschäftsführer **Thomas Loy** zeigte sich erfreut über die Fortsetzung der Partnerschaft: "Wir sind stolz, mit ADMIRAL einen starken und verlässlichen Partner an unserer Seite zu haben, der sich nicht nur für unseren Verein, sondern für den österreichischen Sport im Allgemeinen stark engagiert."

Bei Austria Wien bleibt ADMIRAL ebenfalls Premiumpartner. Jürgen Irsigler meint hier wiederum: "Die Verlängerung der Kooperation als Premiumpartner mit dem FK Austria Wien ist das Ergebnis einer bisher sehr professionellen und wertschätzenden Zusammenarbeit." Austria-Wien-Marketing-Leiter **Johannes Dobretsberger** betont: "Diese Entscheidung zeigt das gegenseitige Vertrauen und die Überzeugung, dass wir gemeinsam nachhaltige Erfolge gestalten."

automatenmarkt.de, 18.08.2025

Löwen Entertainment spendet Kickertisch an Freiwillige Feuerwehr Mammolshain

Löwen Entertainment spendete am 17. August der Freiwilligen Feuerwehr Mammolshain – einer der vier Stadtteilwehren von Königstein im Taunus – einen Löwen Soccer-Tisch. Den Kickertisch übergab Sebastian Foethke, Bevollmächtigter der Geschäftsführung für Politik und Regulierung bei Löwen, im Beisein von Beatrice Schenk-Motzko, Bürgermeisterin der Stadt Königstein im Taunus, und Christoph Schwarzer, Vorstandsmitglied im Hessischen Münzautomaten-Verband, an Dieter Lezius, Vorsitzender des Fördervereins Freiwillige Feuerwehr Mammolshain im Taunus. Das Spielgerät wird in den neuen Räumen der Jugendfeuerwehr seinen Platz finden.

Attraktiver Treffpunkt für gemeinsame Aktivitäten

"Die neuen Räume unserer Jugendfeuerwehr wurden kürzlich fertiggestellt und sollen ein attraktiver Treffpunkt für gemeinsame Aktivitäten werden. Besonders wichtig war unseren Jugendlichen dabei ein Kickertisch. Ich bin sehr dankbar, dass Löwen Entertainment unseren Jugendlichen diesen Herzenswunsch erfüllt", sagte Dieter Lezius.



Christoph Schwarzer,
Vorstandsmitglied im
Hessischen MünzautomatenVerband, Beatrice SchenkMotzko, Bürgermeisterin der
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und Regulierung bei Löwen
Entertainment.

"Jugendarbeit ist das Fundament jeder Feuerwehr. Der Kickertisch trägt dazu bei, die Jugendlichen zu fördern und ihr Engagement zu unterstützen", sagte Christoph Schwarzer. Der Automatenunternehmer und Träger des Hessischen Verdienstordens hatte den Kontakt zu Löwen Entertainment hergestellt. Schwarzer, der selbst jahrzehntelang ehrenamtlich bei der Freiwilligen Feuerwehr Königstein tätig war – unter anderem zehn Jahre als stellvertretender Stadtbrandinspektor –, wurde 2022 für sein herausragendes Engagement ausgezeichnet.

Einsatz würdigen und nächste Generation unterstützen

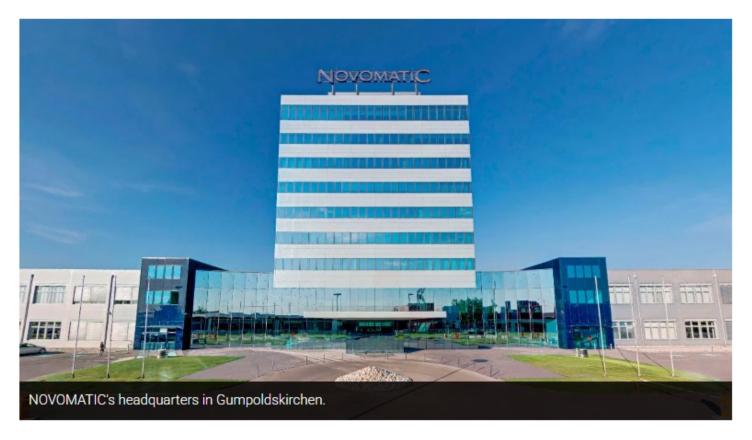
"Die Freiwillige Feuerwehr ist ein Garant für Sicherheit und Gemeinschaft vor Ort. Wir freuen uns, diesen Einsatz zu würdigen und so die nächste Generation von Ehrenamtlichen zu unterstützen", sagte Sebastian Foethke.

Die Freiwillige Feuerwehr Mammolshain zählt derzeit zehn Jugendliche in ihrer Jugendfeuerwehr. Diese erhalten dort die Möglichkeit, frühzeitig Verantwortung zu übernehmen und Teamarbeit zu erleben. So werden die Nachwuchskräfte gezielt auf eine spätere Tätigkeit im aktiven Feuerwehrdienst vorbereitet.

yogonet.com, 18.08.2025

FROM A SMALL COMPANY TO MULTINATIONAL LEADER

NOVOMATIC marks 45 years of global gaming innovation and expansion



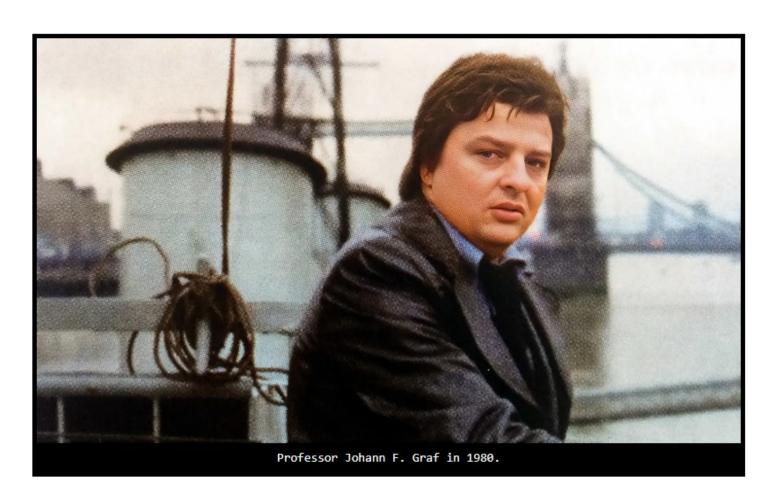
NOVOMATIC is marking 45 years of shaping the global entertainment industry, evolving from a small business in Lower Austria into a multinational corporation with a leading role in gaming technology and an international vision.

With more than 20,000 employees, operations in about 45 countries, a 99 percent export ratio, and business activities spanning around 130 markets, NOVOMATIC's growth since its founding in 1980 reflects a global success story. Combining proprietary gaming technology with the operation of more than 1,600 gaming venues, the group's business model is reinforced by a network of more than 250 subsidiaries worldwide.

This benefits both the company itself and the wider Austrian economy, says the group. According to a study by the economic research institute Economica, **NOVOMATIC** contributed 2.1 billion euros to the domestic economy between 2019 and 2022 alone. This means that every 570th euro generated in Austria is directly or indirectly attributable to the Group.

Pioneering spirit since 1980

A closer look at NOVOMATIC's 45-year history reveals the key factors behind the technology leader's success. Professor Johann F. Graf started his company at the age of 33 in a former wine merchant's premises in Gumpoldskirchen, with capital of 50,000 Austrian schillings (around 3,600 euros) and a team of twelve employees.



As a pioneer in the entertainment industry, **he had a clear strategy when he founded the company**: innovation as the basis for market-leading products, the continuous improvement of business processes, and internationalization.

The young company was soon producing its first slot machines under the ADMIRAL brand and also became the general agent for the gaming terminals of the British manufacturer JPM, which was the world's second-largest manufacturer of slot machines at the time. This step paid off as the NOVOMATIC founder quickly ventured into other European markets, such as Germany, the Netherlands, France, and Switzerland, thereby laying the foundation for subsequent expansions.

"In truth, from the very outset, our home market was never Austria – it was the whole world," says Professor Graf, explaining the maxim that still applies today. Thus, even after the fall of the Iron Curtain in 1989, it was clear to the company's founder that he wanted it to be one of the few Austrian companies to take early advantage of the potential of the Eastern European markets.

The ambitious expansion continued into the 1990s and was exemplified by the company's exports of complete packages of equipment to casinos all over the world. By this time, the NOVOMATIC AG Group had already established itself as the market leader in most future EU member states. ADMIRAL Sportwetten GmbH was also established in 1991 and soon became number one on the Austrian sports betting market.

The group also quickly assumed a leading role at the technological level. One particular innovation heralded the turning point: while the industry was still relying on electromechanical systems, Professor Johann F. Graf recognized the potential of electronics early on, giving NOVOMATIC a decisive advantage.

The development and introduction of the Coolfire gaming hardware platform in 1997 marked a technological breakthrough. The Novo TouchBet Live Roulette, heralded as a revolution in the live gaming segment, was launched around the same time.

Professor Graf was the first to combine the thrill of traditional live gaming with new technological possibilities, bringing a groundbreaking innovation to international gaming markets, says NOVOMATIC. It was suddenly possible for up to 250 guests to participate in a live roulette game via individual player terminals.

From European leader to global brand

The rapid development of the gaming technology company continued into the new millennium. The founding of the software unit Advanced Technology Systems International (ATSI) in cooperation with the University of Kraków in Poland is considered a milestone of that period. This cooperation strengthened NOVOMATIC's technological expertise and innovative strength by providing new impetus in software development.



With the acquisition of Germany's second-largest manufacturer of gaming terminals, NSM-LÖWEN Entertainment GmbH, NOVOMATIC secured its position as market leader in Germany in 2003.

While the company achieved successful growth worldwide, important steps were also taken in its home market of Austria. The new NOVOMATIC headquarters in Gumpoldskirchen were completed in 2009 and, as the largest of 13 production sites in 12 countries worldwide, now offers even more space for future growth.

The acquisition of the Vienna-based company Greentube Internet Entertainment Solutions GmbH in 2010 marked a milestone in the online gaming business. The integration of Greentube as its Digital Gaming and Entertainment Division marked a major step in the company's expansion within this sector: today, Greentube is active in 45 countries around the world.

Following its entry into the US market in 2012, **NOVOMATIC made numerous** acquisitions in the United Kingdom in the years up to 2016, establishing itself as a leading arcade operator in the country.

Growing operations around the world

NOVOMATIC also achieved important milestones as an operator during this period. The opening of Latin America's largest resort casino, Monticello Grand Casino & Entertainment World, with live performances by Marc Anthony and Jennifer Lopez, attracted a particularly high level of international attention.

In Europe, significant steps included the launch of the largest casino in Eastern Europe in Prague and the acquisition of a majority stake in one of Germany's most successful casinos, Spielbank Berlin (2011) on Potsdamer Platz. The company also opened Europe's largest sports bar, Casino ADMIRAL Prater, in Vienna in 2017.

In recent years, **NOVOMATIC** has continued to expand its position as a leading operator. In Germany, the Spielbank Berlin casino reopened in 2023 after undergoing extensive modernization, bolstering its premium offering thanks to an interior designed by the company's in-house design studio.

In the Netherlands, the company consolidated its market presence through the successful development of several locations, including the opening of Casino ADMIRAL Helmond. Spain has been another of NOVOMATIC's most important core markets for many years, with a focus on quality, innovation, and the gaming experience.

NOVOMATIC also operates numerous locations in the United Kingdom.



Innovation and corporate responsibility

The group boasts 31 research and development centers in 18 countries. NOVOMATIC holds more than 5,000 IP trademark rights and releases around 200 new game variants every year. In the past three years alone, around 300 million euros have been invested in R&D.

NOVOMATIC was the first gaming provider worldwide to introduce requirements for a biometrically supported registration, access, and payment system for gaming companies. Since then, the NOVOVISION casino management system has been subject to continuous development.

One partnership stands out in particular in the history of NOVOMATIC. In 2014, Austrian national hero and three-time Formula 1 World Champion Niki Lauda became a NOVOMATIC brand ambassador, a position that he occupied until his death in 2019.

The onset of the coronavirus pandemic in 2020 brought the global gaming industry to a standstill. NOVOMATIC responded quickly to these new global challenges and, by setting up a crisis management team, implemented important strategic measures designed to secure the number of employees in the long term, even during the challenging pandemic period.

The company managed to emerge from the crisis stronger than before and even increased its workforce in the following years despite high levels of inflation, NOVOMATIC highlighted. In the same year, the group obtained a sports betting license in Germany with ADMIRAL Sportwetten GmbH.

Since its very beginning, **NOVOMATIC** has operated exclusively in regulated markets with clear legal frameworks, and player and youth protection have always been its top priorities.



NOVOMATIC AG and its subsidiaries with the highest sales have been awarded the internationally renowned G4 certification by the Global Gambling Guidance Group for their commitment to player and youth protection. This global award for responsible gambling involves regular evaluation and confirmation.

In 2022, NOVOMATIC successfully continued its international growth trajectory by completing one of the largest transactions in its history, the acquisition of the HBG Group in Italy.

A particular highlight of 2024 was the presentation of the Brand Life Award to NOVOMATIC founder Professor Johann F. Graf. The Austrian Brand Value Study conducted by the European Brand Institute (EBI) also recognizes the company's achievements, and with an increase in brand value of +8.7 percent to 3.745 billion euros, NOVOMATIC ranked second among the most valuable companies in the country. In addition, the third place achieved for the first time in the Sustainable Brand Ranking recognizes NOVOMATIC's strong commitment to sustainability.

A significant step toward a greener future was taken last year with the commissioning of one of Lower Austria's largest rooftop photovoltaic systems, covering an area of around 20,000 m² at the headquarters in Gumpoldskirchen. Numerous subsidiaries, including in Germany, Italy, Spain, and Australia, are also already using renewable energy produced with in-house PV systems.

2025: A proud anniversary

As the largest exhibitor at ICE 2025, the global trade fair hotspot for the gaming industry, NOVOMATIC wowed attendees at the Fira Barcelona Gran Via with gaming content and an expansive product portfolio on a stand the size of a football field.

In order to focus even more squarely on global expansion, NOVOMATIC and Tipico signed an agreement at the beginning of the year regarding the sale of ADMIRAL Austria. In April 2025, NOVOMATIC became one of the first gaming companies worldwide to receive a Gaming Related Vendor license in the United Arab Emirates. The company then took the next step toward further international growth by buying the French casino group Vikings Casinos SAS.

"All these activities show that, even after 45 years, **NOVOMATIC continues to stand for innovation, responsibility, and international gaming excellence** – and that its eyes remain firmly set on the future," the company says.

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Offizielle Partner: StarGames und PDC European Darts Championship 2025

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Mitmachaktionen, Verlosungen und Max Hopp live vor Ort

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