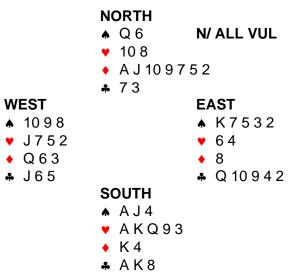
Bridge with Richard Ward

An innovative technological feature of the recent World Team Championships was the use of mobile cameras recording the actions of each of the players at all of the tables. The cameras recorded onto a secure digital [SD] card so that, even if the Wi-Fi failed, the recordings were saved and available to the tournament directors in real time. These proved to be an invaluable aid to the directing staff who repeatedly consulted the videos when resolving cases, more than 100, where the facts were disputed. The cameras could also be used to investigate allegations of unethical play.



Partner opens a pre-emptive 3D and you leap directly to 6NT. West leads the spade tenqueen-king ace, and dummy has a welcome source of tricks for you. There is a simple way to twelve tricks by leading a diamond to the jack, hoping that it loses to the queen. Then you plan to win the spade return, overtake the diamond king with the ace and claim your slam. Sadly, the finesse wins but there is a 100% Plan B. Return to the diamond king then give up a trick to the heart jack, forcing another entry to dummy's diamonds.

CAIRNS CONGRESS: [Director – Julie Jeffries] PAIRS June Glenn – Alan Hamilton; 2 Carol Dennis / Lita Ruderman; B Jan & Mark Firth; C Deb Morison / Bridget Findley; TEAMS 1 June Glenn / Alan Hamilton / Sam & Bill Bishop; 2 Helen Rial / Heather Thomas / Tony Lusk / Mary Horseman; BRISBANE BRIDGE CENTRE CONGRESS: [Director – Chris Snook] PAIRS 1 Richard Fox / Andrew Woollons; 2 John Kelly / Peter Evans; B 1 Peter Burke / Rod Wilson; 2 Sarah Huntington-Wynne / Tim Sayer; TEAMS 1 Peter Evans / John Kelly / Paul Hooykaas / Ralph Parker; 2 Geoff Toon / Jim Evans / Charlie Lu / Watson Zhou; B 1 Lilly Jia / Dennis Sullivan / Kevin Hamilton-Reen / Mary Simon; 2 Barry Williams / Neville Williams / Ross Shardlow / Peter Gruythuysen; C 1 Wendy Cuthbert / Kathleen Clifford / Eugene Pereira / Martin Wu; 2 Kerry Pope / Peter Burke / Marie Buckley / Nanette Hinsch