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| ♥ | 6 | ♥ | J 10 8 4 |
| ♦ | Q 8 7 | ♦ | K 10 9 6 |
| ♣ | Q 10 8 3 | ♣ | J 9 |
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Most of us would bid this hand to the solid four heart contract. Then, when the bad trump break reveals a fourth loser, would score it up as -100 and move on to the next board. But hidden within this hand is a play known as a ‘dummy reversal’ which is easy to overlook and can at times make a seemingly cast-iron loser simply disappear. The plan is to ruff all three spade losers with low trumps bringing the total to one spade, six hearts, one diamond and two clubs. The play goes: win the ace of spades and ruff a spade; ace of hearts then king of hearts in that order; ruff another spade; cash the queen of hearts, ace of diamonds, king then ace of clubs; and finally, ruff the fourth spade for the tenth trick. Magic!

QUEENSLAND GRADED PAIRS [Director – Alan Gibson] 1 Anne Lamport / Richard Wallis; 2 Ben Leung / Michael Gearing; **B** Martin Wu / Eugene Pereira; **C** Lilly Jia / David Zhang; **MACKAY PAIRS** [Director – Geoff Taylor] 1 Jan Randall / Don Cameron; 2 Diane Morgan / Eric Leivesley; **B** Ming & David Ting; **C** Helen van den Broek / Anne Lutz

The Qld Teams-of-3 will be held at the Northern Suburbs Bridge Club on Sunday 25th September. Players can enter as individuals, pairs or threes and an expert captain will be allocated to your team if required. Check the QBA web-site for more details.
