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## Bridge with Richard Ward

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<b>NORTH</b>		<b>S/ ALL VUL</b>	
♠	8 6 4 2		
♥	A Q 10		
♦	K J 6		
♣	8 4 2		
<b>WEST</b>		<b>EAST</b>	
♠	A K 5 3	♠	J 10 9 7
♥	8 3	♥	7 5 2
♦	10 8 3	♦	9 4 2
♣	A Q J 6	♣	10 9 7
<b>SOUTH</b>			
♠	Q		
♥	K J 9 6 4		
♦	A Q 7 5		
♣	K 5 3		

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
			1H
DBL	RDBL	1S	PASS
PASS	2H	PASS	3D
PASS	4H	ALL PASS	

After West's takeout double, redouble promised 10+ points and any shape. East obliged with those great spades which South passed just in case partner had enough for a penalty double. After 2H from partner, many would simply bid game, but our cautious South made a 'help-suit' trial bid invitation which North was happy to accept.

West led the ace of spades and shifted to a trump. As the ace of clubs was almost certainly with West, declarer took an approach that would work as long as the trumps were 3-2. Dummy's ten of trumps held the second trick so a spade could be ruffed. Crossing back to dummy twice with the jack and king of diamonds, two more spades were ruffed high. Next, declarer drew the outstanding trumps with dummy's ace and queen. The ace and queen of diamonds were the ninth and tenth tricks. Note that an unlikely red-suit lead defeats four hearts because it allows the defence to attack the entries necessary for this "dummy-reversal" play to succeed.

**BRISBANE BRIDGE CENTRE EASTER CONGRESS** [Director – Chris Snook] **PAIRS A** 1 Seb Langdon Macmillan / Kim Morrison; 2 John Kelly / Peter Evans; **B** 1 Jasmine Skeate / Laurie Skeate; 2 Richard Spelman / Lyn Tracey; **C** 1 Adele Munro / Michael Clibbon; 2 Clive Carter / Michael Corney; **TEAMS A** 1 Jill Magee / Terry Strong / Pamela & Jim Evans; 2 Peter Evans / Alison Dawson / Maha Hoenig / Janeen Solomon; **B** 1 Jasmine Skeate / Laurie Skeate / Kate Macdonald / Ben Leung; 2 Lilly Jia / Davis Zhang / Lyn Tracey / Richard Spelman; **C** 1 Malcolm Corney / Oliver Goodman / Vanessa Brewis Jenny McGowan; 2 Carla Webb / Olivia Jackson / Jennifer Vickers / Jeff Borg

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