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 Courier-Mail Bridge Column by Tony Jackman

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Today's auction was short and sweet and put most of the field in a makeable game contract. How would you play it after West led off with CA and CK? It seemed to depend on a friendly trump break and DA being at West with the opening bidder. They ruffed CK and played trumps with HQ falling on the first. Great! Next D7, West's D8 but dummy's DK lost to East's DA. Two more diamond losers saw the contract one off. Solution? Good technique will have you ruff CK with one of your higher trump pips. Now after three top trumps, cash SA and SK . Now you're happily preserved trump two can be used to throw East in with his last trump. Now all he can do is cash DA and must give you entry to dummy's DK or winning spades.