Bridge club comes up Trumps

TWENTY years ago, the bridge club at the North Eastern Jewish Centre at Doncaster ran 30 tables deep.

Now, champion Leigh Gold and his wife Bianca are hoping to recreate those heady days with their Tricks and Trumps Bridge Club, which meets at the centre four mornings a week and on Thursday evenings, with lessons every Wednesday.

Players range in age from their 50s to 93, and everyone from beginners to competitive players is welcome.

“Bridge is one of the oldest games in the world, developed not long after paper and cards in the 1400s,” Bianca said.

“Over the years it was considered a sport for the royals and highly regarded as an IQ game.”

Leigh has competed in a string of national events and state titles and represented Australia in 2009. He is currently ranked as a Silver Grand Master, and will be promoted to Gold Grand Master at the end of the next quarter.

The Tricks and Trumps Club meets on Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 10am and on Tuesday from 10.30am.

Partners are provided if you arrive 15 minutes before play begins.

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