HOLIDAYS FOR THE UNDERPRIVILEGED

More than 300 underprivileged children will enjoy a five-day camp thanks to the efforts of an enthusiastic band of university students led by Helen Mennies.

The University Camp for Children Club will tour upon the snow-white sands of Rottnest Island this Monday morning. The camp, which has been held by the club for more than 25 years, is for children between the ages of 6 and 14 years.

Club president, Helen Mennies (17) of Nollamara, and 30 students will camp in each of the 30 tents and the only piece of equipment they will bring is a tent.

"The aim of the club is to simply give underprivileged children a holiday away from their everyday environment," Helen said.

Each student is required to contribute $10 towards the camp. This is in addition to the $500 the club raised to cover costs.