

## BIRD NOTES

**LITTLE EGRET AT ARNO BAY** — On December 10, 1977, while visiting a mangrove-lined estuary south of the town of Arno Bay, Eyre Peninsula, I recorded the Little Egret *Egretta garzetta*. While walking across mud flats to the estuary I disturbed a White-faced Heron *Ardea novaehollandiae* and a small egret, which I followed for about 30 minutes as it moved about the mud flats. Several times I approached within 10 m before it took flight.

Description: A white bird of very similar size to the White-faced Heron, certainly no bigger; yellow face, bill completely black to the base, legs black; when it turned in flight the soles of its feet were seen as being light green. It had no plumes. — TREVOR COX.

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