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Robert E Kennedy crossed paths with Julie Bishop, Natasha Griggs and Bronwyn Bishop yesterday

Picture: BRAD FLEET

# Pollie power alert for a male minority

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A SERIAL *NT News* letter writer who fights for the rights of men faced some of Australia's most powerful women yesterday.

Robert E Kennedy weighed the issues with federal Deputy Opposition Leader

Julie Bishop, Opposition seniors spokeswoman Bronwyn Bishop and Solomon MP Natasha Griggs at a seniors' forum in Darwin.

The president of the Territory's Lone Fathers Association said he enjoyed the forum. "It was good, well-explained and not too polit-

ical," he said. "And I understand a little bit more about the carbon tax."

Mr Kennedy was among Territory seniors to meet and greet the politicians at Chung Wah hall in the city.

They spoke on issues including aged care, dementia, the live export ban, work-

place discrimination and euthanasia.

Fellow senior Janet Darling was happy to see Ms Bishop in the Top End but said the meeting was politically one-sided.

"Of course it is when you're getting Liberal politicians," she said.

"But I think (Territory seniors) are forgotten about."

Julie Bishop said the seniors were concerned about the effects of the carbon tax.

"They want a clear explanation about the environmental impact of the carbon tax," she said.