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Review of this morning's discussions:

- Maxine McKew running for Bennelong against Prime Minister John Howard.
- Perks for politicians. Bevan says they get \$190 a night to stay in Canberra and it's understood Brendan Nelson, Defence Minister, is living in Joe Hockey's shed. He says Malcolm Turnbull, Environment Minister and a multimillionaire, rents a place from his wife and they claim \$10 a night when she stays with him.
- A ban on AFL players drinking booze.
- They discussed beautiful people with Maria Gardiner and Hugh Kearns from **Flinders University** .

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[cont conversation about beautiful people] John says he had a beautiful boyfriend who would only get jobs as a waiter at the best places. He says his boyfriend made the social pages and he got cropped. Gardiner says Ellen Degeneres was complaining in the paper on the weekend that her girlfriend Portia De Rossi gets all of the attention.

Interviewees: Caller John; **Hugh Kearns, Head of Staff development** training unit, Flinders University ; Maria Gardiner, clinical psychologist
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[Cont conversation about beautiful people] Daryl says Owen Wilson is a terrific talent and has a broken nose but hasn't fixed it. He says he thinks Wilson's acting career would be damaged if he got it fixed. Gardiner says women do like him, but if it was a woman with a broken nose it wouldn't work the same way. She says Karen Carpenter was a gorgeous looking woman and ended up dying from Anorexia. Kearns says physical appearance would be the least important issue when gaining self esteem. Gardiner says there are many things which can give you an advantage and looks is just one of them. [cont]

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[cont conversation about beautiful people]
Sam says she has had a negative and positive experience being a beautiful person. She says she was told once that she received certain positions within her workplace because of the way she looks. Kearns says we don't judge or know about someone by just looking at them. He says if you saw a picture of John Howard for example, you wouldn't assume he is going to be the prime minister. Gardiner says she once had a very unattractive lecturer but after learning more about his personality everyone loved him. She says women who have been very successful and are carrying a lot of weight have said they have had to work on their personality and have overcome the issue. Abraham says Oprah is an example of this. [cont]

Interviewees: Caller Sam; **Hugh Kearns, Head of Staff development training unit, Flinders University ; Maria Gardiner, Clinical psychologist**
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Kearns and Gardiner talks about the benefits people have if they are beautiful and how it affects them psychologically. Kearns says there was an interesting study done of the last Federal election where people were rated on attractiveness. He says physical appearance did make a difference in terms of getting elected. He says John Howard was in the bottom 5% of physical attractiveness but he's still the Prime Minister. Bevan mentions a photo of Maxine McKew and Kevin Rudd this morning and says it's almost like Ken and Barbie. He says they are an attractive political couple. Gardiner says Kate Ellis chose a less attractive photo for her how to vote card. Bevan says Steve Georganas is beautiful. Judy says her daughter is beautiful and is currently in Milan for Fashion Week and she has had a dreadful life. [cont]

Interviewees: caller Judy; **Hugh Kearns, Flinders University Staff Devt and Training Unit; Maria Gardiner, Flinders University Staff Devt and Training Unit**
Duration: 10:18