

Blue Mountains Sustainability Festival

Presenter: Climate Kind Communities and Cardboard City Collective

Date: 26/9/2026

Location: Dining Room, Civic Centre, Katoomba St, Katoomba

Time: 02:30 – 3:30

Topic: Community, Country and Climate

Presenter Bio

Climate Kind Communities (previously Low Carbon Locals) has been re-established to enable businesses, organisation and residents to lower their carbon footprint and collectively advocate for Climate actions.

Cardboard City Collective is a group of local activists and residents with lived experience of homelessness who have formed to address the unaddressed housing crisis, and to work with Traditional Custodians and other groups to improve land stewardship and ecosystem health.

Co-convened by Corin, Derek, Annabel, Willem, Noni McDevitt and Shirley Lewis, with Food not Bombs and Permaculture Blue Mountains: Blue Mountains activists, dedicated to strengthening community action on climate, biodiversity, and social resilience, by working across local groups and grassroots initiatives to empower residents, amplify environmental advocacy, and build a more connected and sustainable region.

Presentation Precis

Community, Country and Climate

Housing, Land Stewardship and Resilience

Join Traditional Custodians, ecologists and housing advocates to discuss community initiatives linking housing, land stewardship and climate action. The panel will highlight affordable housing and question development codes that weaken care for Country, ecosystems and community climate resilience.

Speakers include:

- Traditional Custodians on Country care and community futures
- Cardboard City Collective Sessions: Corin, Willem and Derek
- Climate Kind Communities: Annabel
- Manu from MKR and Permaculture Blue Mountains
- DJ, Manager of Belong, and Community Lands Trust
- Shirley the Bag Lady
- Noni McDevitt from Blue Mountains Renewable Energy Coop and Permaculture Blue Mountains

Come along to join a conversation about a fairer, healthier Blue Mountains future.