

Valley Rovers FC was officially founded on the 5th July 2011, by a small group who attended a public meeting in Geevagh. The chairman of the club is Fergal Davey and the clubs first secretary was Sinéad McManus. It was decided to name the club "Valley" Rovers FC to represent the catchment area of the club. The club has members and players from Geevagh, Ballyfarnon, Keadue, Arigna, Drumshanbo and Highwood all of which are located in the valley of the Arigna Mountains . . . hence Valley Rovers FC.

The first season saw the club field two boys' teams; one at U11 and one at U14. As we had no home ground at this point all our games were played away. Huge commitment and support from both players and parents saw the teams and supporters travelling weekly to venues across Sligo, Leitrim and as far as Galway. Our first season was very successful with the U11 squad taking the club all the way to the final of the Sligo/Leitrim league. They finished runners-up in a very tight finish.

Over the past two years the club has grown from strength to strength. The clubs second season saw the team base increase from two teams to five and the club were delighted to field the first girls' team in the area. The U12 girls had a very successful first season.

The club continues to grow from strength to strength and with the third season about to commence the club are again increasing their team base. This season teams will play in both boys and girls leagues. The boys will be playing at U11, U13, U14 and U16 and girls playing at U12 & U14.

Unfortunately there is no official league for children between 6-8 years. Valley Rovers FC organise training and meet once a week with these children to develop skills and prepare them for the U11 league.

The success of Valley Rovers FC is due to the huge support it gets from players, parents and the community at large. In addition to this support we have fantastic support from local businesses particularly in the form of generous sponsorship which is greatly appreciated particularly in light of the current economic climate.

In our first season we were very lucky to have Alderford Interiors sponsor jerseys and much needed equipment which greatly assisted the successful establishing of the club and helped us get off the ground running! Alderford Interiors continue to support the club in all its initiatives and their help and support is greatly appreciated.

In addition, Sweeney's Opticians in Sligo supported the club last season and sponsored another set of jerseys which was warmly welcomed particularly as the clubs team base had doubled. They are a major supporter of the club and continue to generously contribute to on-going fundraising initiatives. Their support is very much appreciated.

The club would also like to express their sincere thanks and gratitude to the numerous local businesses that generously support the annual Christmas draw to help raise necessary funds for the club. It is very much appreciated.

Without the tremendous support that the club gets it would be impossible to exist or indeed thrive as we have done since the club was established. Players, parents, sponsors, supporters, managers, coaches and committee members are sincerely thanked for all the time and commitment the give to the club.

Without you the success of Valley Rover FC would not be possible.

We look forward to a successful future for Valley Rovers FC and hopefully producing some of the country's finest players.

Thank you to all involved in Valley Rovers FC

