



## *Welcome to Club Virago*

### *Who are we?*

We are a group of like minded folk who enjoy our cruiser motorcycles and meet regularly to ride and socialise.

Our Club was founded in 1994 and has steadily grown over the years. With the evolution of the cruiser motorcycle we have been joined by riders of many of the later models from the Yamaha cruiser family and other cruiser motorcycles. Our members come from all walks of life and all across the metropolitan and regional areas of Western Australia.

Our constitution defines our purpose as

- To promote and encourage the ownership of Yamaha Virago and XV cruiser motorcycles.
- To promote and encourage motorcycling and co-operate with kindred bodies in fostering and maintaining motorcycling as a sport.
- To organise and conduct social outings and encourage good fellowship amongst club members.
- To maintain the prestige of the club and the sport of motorcycling.

### *What do we do?*

We have regular monthly rides on the fourth Sunday of every month departing from the car park on Sleat Street opposite McDonalds Family Restaurant, (corner Canning Highway just up from the Canning Bridge), Applecross.

We meet at 8:30 for a 9:00 departure. The rides are planned by members of the Club on a voluntary basis. On every ride there is a designated Ride Leader and a Tail End Charlie (TEC). Safety is very important to Club Virago and we have a set of ride rules that will need to be obeyed on every ride. Please read the ride rules attached and ask any questions of the members if anything is unclear. We were all first timers once and will understand if you need to ask anything at all. TEC will always be the last bike and will be distinctive with an orange headlight cover.

We have other social rides that are offered from time to time and these are promoted at the club meetings. Additionally we as a Club support various charity rides, in particular the Perth Christmas Toy ride, the Mandurah Christmas Toy Ride and the Creating Communities Charity Ride. We also participate in the Bike Week Awareness Ride.

The Club meetings are held once a month at the Attfield Tavern, Cnr Attfield and Herbert Streets, Maddington on the second Wednesday of each month. The meetings start at 7:15 but many of us arrive for the very affordable dinners at 6ish. The meetings usually do not last longer than an hour and most of the members stay to socialise afterwards.

We have a monthly magazine "The Spark" that is distributed at the meetings. If you miss a meeting your magazine and the minutes are posted out to you in the coming week. The Spark has member discounts to various suppliers across the metropolitan area.

## ***What does it cost?***

There are three levels of membership:

Full Members (\$35 per annum)

Owner and rider of a Yamaha Cruiser motorcycle with unrestricted access to club facilities and benefits and voting rights at all Club meetings and includes free access to special subsidised events.

Associate Membership (\$35 per annum)

One who participates in club events but rides a cruising motorcycle other than a Yamaha Cruiser (please check if not sure) or one who does not participate in club rides and wishes to maintain an active involvement in the club. Associate members are entitled to the monthly magazine The Spark. Associates do not have voting rights but are fully subsidised at all events.

Pillion Membership (\$35 per annum)

One who participates in club activities primarily as a pillion passenger. A pillion may not necessarily be associated with the same machine. Pillions on Yamaha motorcycles can apply for a full membership. Pillions enjoy fully subsidised events.

## ***How do I join?***

Firstly you must fill in a Membership Application Form and pay a \$10 non refundable nomination fee. From the date this form is received you are deemed to be a probationary member for four months. During your probation period you must either:

- a) Riding Member – ride in at least 2 club rides.
- OR
- b) Non-Riding member – attend at least 2 club activities, which may be any combination of the meetings, rides or social outings.

After you have met these requirements your nomination is taken to the next club meeting to be voted on. If endorsed by the members, you will be offered a membership.

## ***How do I contact Club Virago?***

We have a website that contains all the current information on events, meetings, and members. You can find us at

**[www.clubvirago.org.au](http://www.clubvirago.org.au)**

Our email address is [webmaster@clubvirago.org.au](mailto:webmaster@clubvirago.org.au)

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Or you can phone one of our wonderful Committee:

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