- 4. Inspect the sprocket teeth for wear or damage. We recommend replacing the sprocket whenever a new chain is installed.
- 5. Lubricate the drive chain.
- 6. Pass the chain over the sprockets and join the ends of the chain with the master link. For ease of assembly, hold the chain ends against adjacent rear sprocket teeth while inserting the master link. Install the master link retaining clip so that the closed end of the retaining clip will face the direction of forward wheel rotation.

## **More About: Drive Chain**

- The master link is the most critical element of drive chain security. Master links are reusable, as long as they remain in excellent condition. We recommend installing a new master link retaining clip when the drive chain is reassembled.
- You may find it easier to install a new chain by connecting it to the old chain with a master link and pulling the old chain to position the new chain on the sprockets.