

FEDERATIONS TO MEET IN FOUR CENTRES

At the last meeting of the Association of Wine and Beermakers Federations at Birmingham amongst the many topics discussed was a feeling of concern by the Committee that the Association should be seen to be of real benefit to its members. The Constitution lays down that the Association is in being to further the interests of its member Federations but as the Committee amounts to about four people, its effectiveness must in the long run depend on the collective action of the member Federations communicating through the framework afforded by the Association.

The aim is to provide help in improving communication, exchange of information, publicity, and passing ideas from Federation to Federation, and storing information for future use. The Association is the Forum for Federations. A lot can be done by writing to the Secretary but the Delegates meetings are the occasion for maximum exchange. These have previously been held in the Midlands but this still involves a long journey for outlying Federations. Accordingly it was decided to take these

meetings around the country. Venues agreed were Reading for the Home counties, Nottingham for the Midlands, Taunton for the South and South West, and Lancaster for the North.

The next meeting has been arranged for Sunday, 2nd October at the Caversham Bridge Hotel, Caversham, Reading (on the A415), and the organiser for this event is Dr. John Harrison, Chairman of the Middlesex Federation (0628 27751).