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CAPInv. 1063: Haliastan Hali[adan] Hesteiôn koinon

I. LOCATION

i. Geographical area	Aegean Islands
ii. Region	Rhodes
iii. Site	Lindos

II. NAME

i. Full name (original language)	Ἀλιαστᾶν Ἀλι[αδᾶν] Ἑστέϊων κοινόν
ii. Full name (transliterated)	<i>Haliastan Hali[adan] Hesteiôn koinon</i>

III. DATE

i. Date(s)	88 - 85 BC
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IV. NAME AND TERMINOLOGY

ii. Name elements	Personal:	The name Hesteios is probably that of the founder of the association. Perhaps he is a relative (the father?) of Timokrates son of Hesteios in <i>I.Lindos</i> II, no. 299 c, l. 35. More secure is, however, the identification of our Hesteios with the commander (<i>archôn</i>) of warships (<i>t[etrer]eis</i>) in <i>I.Lindos</i> II, no. 303, l. 13. See <i>LGPN</i> vol. 1, s.v. (1)-(2).
	Theophoric:	The two theophoric elements of the name, <i>Haliastai</i> and <i>Haliadai</i> , are from the god Helios, Doric Halios. On the cult of Halios, see D. Morelli, <i>I culti in Rodi</i> . <i>Studi Classici e Orientali</i> 7 (Pisa, 1959), 15-20.
iii. Descriptive terms	κοινόν, <i>koinon</i>	

V. SOURCES

i. Source(s)	<i>I.Lindos</i> II, no. 292, ll. 5-6
Online Resources	I.Lindos II, no. 292
i.a. Source type(s)	Epigraphic source(s)
i.b. Document(s) typology & language/script	<i>I.Lindos</i> II, no. 292 is a dedicatory inscription in Greek. It mentions the honours awarded to Timachidas son of Hagesitimos by two bodies and ends by listing the dedicators, Timachidas' messmates (<i>syssitai</i>).
i.c. Physical format(s)	Two fragments of Lartian stone, belonging to a cylindrical statue-base.
ii. Source(s) provenance	The Acropolis of Lindos.

VII. ORGANIZATION

i. Founder(s)	The association was probably founded by Hesteios, whose name forms part of its name.
Gender	Male

X. ACTIVITIES

iv. Honours/Other activities	The <i>Haliastan Hal[iadan] Hesteiōn koinon</i> had honoured Timachidas son of Hagesitimos with a gold wreath. They are mentioned together with another association, which, too, had honoured Timachidas, the <i>Panathenaistai systrateusamenoī syskanoi koinon</i> .
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XI. INTERACTION

i. Local interaction	Timachidas son of Hagesitimos, the person honoured by our association, is said to have served (<i>strateusamenos</i>) on aphract and kataphract ships. The other association that had honoured him is called <i>Panathenaistai Systrateusamenoī syskanoi koinon</i> . Therefore, the <i>Haliastan Hal[iadan] Hesteiōn koinon</i> can be said to have a connection to the Rhodian navy. The identification of Hesteios, the founder of the association, with the commander (<i>archōn</i>) of warships mentioned in <i>I.Lindos</i> II, no. 303, l. 13, makes the connection to the navy even stronger. Moreover, it is agreed that Timachidas, attested also in a list of <i>prophatai</i> (<i>Suppl. Epig. Rodio</i> no. 5, l. 14), is to be identified with the author of the Lindian Chronicle (<i>I.Lindos</i> II, no. 2, A, l. 12), cf. Blinkenberg's commentary on <i>ibid.</i> no. 292, l. 1, and <i>LGPN</i> vol. 1 s.v. (12). Given the attested activities of Timachidas, we can safely infer that our association was connected to a person who was not only active in the navy but also occupied a central position also in Rhodian cultural and political life.
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XII. NOTES

i. Comments	It is worthy of notice that the name of this association comes close to that of the <i>Haliadan kai Haliastan koinon</i> , which is attested in the city of Rhodes. This may be indicative of the popularity among corporate bodies of names with elements deriving from the name of the god Halios.
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XIII. EVALUATION

i. Private association

Certain

Note

The word κοινόν (*koinon*) and the elements constituting the name of this body render it certain that it was a private association.