

CAPInv. 742: **het[airoi]**

I. LOCATION

i. Geographical area	Western Asia Minor
ii. Region	Bithynia
iii. Site	Nikaia

II. NAME

i. Full name (original language)	ἑτ[αῖροι] (SEG 30: 1430, l. 5)
ii. Full name (transliterated)	<i>het[airoi]</i>

III. DATE

i. Date(s)	i - iii AD
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IV. NAME AND TERMINOLOGY

ii. Name elements	Other:	<i>hetairoi</i> denotes participation in a common activity
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V. SOURCES

i. Source(s)	SEG 30: 1430 (ii AD)
Note	See also: I.Iznik 227 Peek 1980: 38-9 no. 23 SGO II 09 / 05 / 82 Nikaia
Online Resources	SEG 30: 1430 I.Iznik 227
i.a. Source type(s)	Epigraphic source(s)

i.b. Document(s) typology & language/script	Funerary epigram in Greek.
i.c. Physical format(s)	Grave altar.
ii. Source(s) provenance	The inscription was found at Iznik (Nikaia).

X. ACTIVITIES

iv. Honours/Other activities	The <i>hetairoi</i> of the deceased perhaps crowns his tomb with flowers (SEG 30: 1430, ll. 4-6: ἀλλ' ὅφ' ἐτ[αίρων τύμβος ἐμὸς στέφε[ται ἄνθεσιν εἰαρινοῖς], <i>all' hyph' het[airon tym]bos emos stephe[tai anthesin eiarinois]</i>). This may allude to annual commemorative ceremonies performed at the deceased's tomb by fellow-members of the association to which he belonged (cf. field XII.i: Comments below). However, the restored text is far from certain (see SGO II 09 / 05 / 82 Nikaia).
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XII. NOTES

i. Comments	<p>The term <i>hetairoi</i> was used to denote both members of political groups and religious associations (Poland 1909: 54; Robert 1983: 50). The <i>hetairoi</i> mentioned in this epigram may have been members of such an association but its exact name (possibly simply ἐταῖροι, <i>hetairoi</i>?) and nature escape us, even more so since most of the term has been restored.</p> <p>If the restored text is accepted, the crowning of the deceased's tomb with flowers by the <i>hetairoi</i> may indicate the existence of a common treasury. However, it is equally possible that the money required for this crowning was drawn from individual <i>ad hoc</i> contributions. See under X.iv: Honours/other activities.</p>
iii. Bibliography	<p>Peek, W. (1980), <i>Griechische Versinschriften aus Kleinasien</i>. Wien.</p> <p>Poland, F. (1909), <i>Geschichte des griechischen Vereinswesens</i>. Leipzig.</p> <p>Robert, L. (1983), 'Les dieux des Motaleis en Phrygie', <i>JS</i>: 45-63.</p>

XIII. EVALUATION

i. Private association	Possible
Note	See above under field XII.i: Comments.