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CAPInv. 736: hetairoi

i.	Geographical area	Eastern Asia Minor
ii.	Region	Pontus
iii.	Site	Amastris

i.	Full name (original language)	έταῖροι (Marek, Stadt 57, l. 2)
ii.	Full name (transliterated)	hetairoi

i. Date(s)	Inc.

ii. Name elements	Other:	hetairoi denotes common participation in an activity	

i.	Source(s)	Marek, Stadt 57	
	Note	See also: SEG 35: 1337 Marek 1985: no. 21	
	Online Resources	Marek, Stadt 57	
i.a.	Source type(s)	Epigraphic source(s)	
i.b.	Document(s) typology & language/script	Funerary inscription in Greek for Chrestion.	

i.c. Physical format(s) Fragment of sarcophagus with two wreaths to the left of a tabula ansata.		Fragment of sarcophagus with two wreaths to the left of a tabula ansata.
ii.	Source(s) provenance	The exact provenance is unknown.

iv. Honours/Other activities	The first of the two wreaths depicted in Chrestion's sarcophagus bears the inscription: ἑταῖροι, hetairoi (the other bears the inscription: οἱ φίλοι, hoi philoì). This may allude to a posthumous award of a crown by the fellow-members of the deceased in an association (perhaps to be distinguished from his other friends) and/or to an annual commemorative crowning of his tomb. Cf. below under field XII.i: Comments.

i. Comments	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 (cf. above under field X.iv: Activities) but its exact name (possibly simply ἑταῖροι, <i>hetairoi</i>) and nature escape us. The crowning of the deceased 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.
iii. Bibliography	Marek, C. (1985), 'Katalog der Inschriften im Museum von Amasra. Mit Anhang: Die Inschriften von Amastris und die angebliche Pompeianische Ära der Stadt', <i>EA</i> 6: 133-56 Poland, F. (1909), <i>Geschichte des griechischen Vereinswesens</i> . Leipzig. Robert, L. (1983), 'Les dieux des Motaleis en Phrygie', <i>JS</i> : 45-63.

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

