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CAPInv. 924: **eutheroi**

I. LOCATION

i. Geographical area	Western Asia Minor
ii. Region	Mysia
iii. Site	Pergamon

II. NAME

i. Full name (original language)	εὐθηροί (MDAI[A] 33 [1908]: 409 no. 42, l. 3)
ii. Full name (transliterated)	<i>eutheroi</i>

III. DATE

i. Date(s)	i (?) BC
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IV. NAME AND TERMINOLOGY

ii. Name elements	Status-related:	<i>eutheros</i> - LSJ ⁹ s.v. εὐθηρος: - successful in hunting - club of sportsmen
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V. SOURCES

i. Source(s)	MDAI(A) 33 (1908): 409 no. 42
Online Resources	MDAI[A] 33 [1908]: 409 no. 42
i.a. Source type(s)	Epigraphic source(s)
i.b. Document(s) typology & language/script	Honorary inscription in Greek. Partly preserved. The honorary body is fully restored (demos). Only part of the honorand's patronymic is preserved (...] <i>odorou</i>).

i.c. Physical format(s)	Marble block, broken on the left, probably of a base. Traces for the insertion of a plinth on top. H. 21.5 x W. 40 x Th. 36 cm.
ii. Source(s) provenance	Found in 1907 at the west entrance of the 'Kellerstadion' in the gymnasium at Pergamon.

VII. ORGANIZATION

iii. Members	<i>eutheroi</i> (l. 3)
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IX. MEMBERSHIP

ii. Gender	Men
Note	In the light of the hunting activity as inferred by the name (<i>eutheroi</i>), this group would have consisted of males.
iii. Age	Adults
Note	The age can only be assumed on the basis of the activity (hunting).

XII. NOTES

i. Comments	<p>The term <i>eutheroi</i> can designate successful hunters or can stand for members of a hunting club (Suess 1966: 315).</p> <p>Due to the mutilated text of the inscription, it is not clear whether the honorand was the leader of the <i>eutheroi</i>, as suggested by the proposed restoration of the text: ἄρξ' ἀντ]α τῶν εὐθέρων (l. 3), or just a member.</p> <p>If the past participle <i>arxanta</i> is to be restored before <i>ton eutheron</i> in line 3, then the presence of a leader would point towards the existence of a formal group with some sort of internal organization.</p>
iii. Bibliography	Suess, W. (1966), 'Der ältere Dionys als Tragiker', <i>RhM</i> 109: 209-318.

XIII. EVALUATION

i. Private association	Possible
Note	Besides the name (<i>eutheroi</i>) that implies a past-time activity (hunting) shared by those partaking in it, an identification of the <i>eutheroi</i> with a formally organized and durable group rests on shaky grounds.