

CAPInv. 229: orgeones Amynou kai tou Asklepiou kai Dexionos

I. LOCATION

i. Geographical area	Attica with Salamis
ii. Region	Attica
iii. Site	Athens

II. NAME

i. Full name (original language)	ὄργεῶνες Ἀμύνου καὶ τοῦ Ἀσκληπιοῦ καὶ Δεξιῶνος (IG II ² 1252, ll. 3-4; IG II ² 1253, ll. 6-7.)
ii. Full name (transliterated)	<i>orgeones Amynou kai tou Asklepiou kai Dexionos</i>

III. DATE

i. Date(s)	s. iv - 263 (?) BC
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IV. NAME AND TERMINOLOGY

i. Name in other forms	ὄργειῶνες, <i>orgeiones</i> l. ὄργεῶνες, <i>orgeones</i> (IG II ² 1253, 6)
ii. Name elements	Cultic: <i>orgeones</i>

V. SOURCES

i. Source(s)	IG II ² 1252+999 (s. iv BC) IG II ² 1253, (c. 263 BC) IG II ² 1259 (313/2 BC)
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Note	Ed. pr. IG II² 1252+999 = <i>MDAI(A)</i> 21 (1896) 298.6; IG II² 1253 = <i>BCH</i> 18 (1894) 491 and <i>MDAI(A)</i> 21 (1896) 302.7; IG II² 1259 = <i>MDAI(A)</i> 21 (1896) 303.8. This inscription is written <i>stoichedon</i>. Other publications IG II² 1252+999: <i>Syll³</i> 1096; Michel no. 966; GRA I 6. IG II² 1253: Michel no. 967. IG II² 1259: Michel no. 1548. Cf. SEG 14: 82; SEG 26: 135; SEG 39:149; SEG 46: 2363; SEG 47:194; SEG 49:220; SEG 53:40; SEG 55: 2051(4). <i>BE</i> 1956, no. 86; <i>BE</i> 1976, no. 176.
Online Resources	IG II² 1252+999, AGRW ID 3467 IG II² 1253 IG II² 1259
i.a. Source type(s)	Epigraphic source(s)
i.b. Document(s) typology & language/script	Greek honorary decrees, for Kalliades and Lysimachides, sons of Philinos of Peiraieus (IG II ² 1252), for two unknown individuals (IG II ² 1253), and for the <i>histiatores</i> Antikles, son of Memnon and Kleitophon, son of Demophilos (IG II ² 1259).
i.c. Physical format(s)	IG II² 1252: Marble stele with two crowns depicted on top, measuring 0,39x0,21-20m. IG II² 1253: Fragmentary pedimental stele, measuring 0,23x0,235m. IG II² 1259: Marble stele measuring 0,88x0,42m.
ii. Source(s) provenance	The decrees were found in the south-west slope of the Akropolis, in a place identified as <i>Amyneion</i>. Now in the Epigraphical Museum: IG II² 1252+999 = EM 12836+298. IG II² 1253 = EM 7758. IG II² 1259 = EM 542.

VI. BUILT AND VISUAL SPACE

i. Archaeological remains	Excavations in the west slope of the Akropolis in autumn 1892 revealed an open-air, trapezoidal <i>temenos</i> , 17x15m with foundations of a <i>peribolos</i> , the base of a marble offering table, and a well identified by inscriptions with a sanctuary of Amynos. Among the finds were sculpture (reliefs, statuettes, terracota statuettes), pottery, and inscriptions (decrees, dedications to Asklepios and Amynos); see Koerte 1896. Summary account in Wycherley 1970: 292-3; Travlos 1980: 76-77; Rietmueller 2005: II 12-17 no. 4 and Greco 2010: 265-7. See also Skaltsa 2016.
ii. References to buildings/objects	There is a reference to a sanctuary (ἱερόν, <i>hieron</i>) (IG II ² 1252, ll. 11, 16; IG II ² 1253, l. 11) and <i>stelai</i> to be set up (IG II ² 1252, l. 18; IG II ² 1253, l. 11).

VII. ORGANIZATION

iii. Members	The members of the group are called invariably ὀργεῶνες, <i>orgeones</i> , IG II ² 1252, ll. 2-3, 8, 14, 19-20, IG II ² 1253, ll. 2, 6, IG II ² 1259, 8.
iv. Officials	Hosts, ἱστιάτορες, <i>histiatores</i> , IG II ² 1259, ll. 1-2. Ferguson 1944: 86-87 thinks that the individuals honoured in IG II ² 1252 and IG II ² 1253 were also hosts.

VIII. PROPERTY AND POSSESSIONS

ii. Realty	The association had two sanctuaries (ἱερά, <i>hiera</i> , IG II ² 1252, ll. 16-7; Ferguson 1944: 87). Mikalson 1998: 145 believes that there were two groups in charge of the two shrines.
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IX. MEMBERSHIP

ii. Gender	Men
Note	IG II² 1252: Καλλιάδης Φιλίνου Πειραιεύς, <i>Athenian Onomasticon</i> s.v. (54). Λυσισμαχίδης Φιλίνου Πειραιεύς, <i>Athenian Onomasticon</i> s.v. (19). Κλεαίνετος Κλεομένους Μελιτεύς, <i>Athenian Onomasticon</i> s.v. (13). IG II² 1259: Ἀντικλῆς Μέμνονος, <i>Athenian Onomasticon</i> s.v. (30). Κλειτοφῶν Δημοφίλου? <i>Athenian Onomasticon</i> s.v. (8). Θεόδοτος, <i>Athenian Onomasticon</i> s.v. (13).
iii. Age	Adults
iv. Status	The individuals mentioned in IG II ² 1252 and one in IG II ² 1253 are citizens, while the remaining in IG II ² 1259 are most probably citizens.
v. Relations	Those honoured in IG II ² 1252 are brothers.

X. ACTIVITIES

iii. Worship	Sacrifices (θυσίαι, <i>thysiai</i>) are mentioned in IG II ² 1252, ll. 12-3 and IG II ² 1259, l. 5.
Deities worshipped	Three deities are worshipped, namely Amynos, Asklepios and Dexion (according to a late scholion heroized Sophokles?), for which see Kearns 1989: 147 (Amynos) and Kearns 1989: 154 (Dexion).
iv. Honours/Other activities	In IG II² 1252 the group praises the sons of Philinos and awards them a golden crown (χρυσοῦς στέφανος, <i>chrysous stephanos</i>) and also access to wine free of charge (IG II² 1252, l. 11: ἀτέλειαν τοῦ χοῦ <i>ateleian tou chou</i>) to themselves and their descendants. In IG II² 1253, ll. 7-10 the group praises and awards golden crowns, while in IG II² 1259, ll. 6-7 the group praises but awards olive leaves crown.

XII. NOTES

i. Comments	IG II ² 1259 refers to the archonship of Theudotos.
ii. Poland concordance	Poland 1252+999 = A1c Poland 1253 = A1d Poland 1259 = A1e
iii. Bibliography	Arnaoutoglou, I. (2003), <i>Thusias heneka kai sunousias. Private religious associations in Hellenistic Athens</i>. Athens. Ferguson, W. (1944), 'The Attic orgeones', <i>HThR</i> 37: 61-140. Greco, E. (2010), <i>Topografia di Atene. Sviluppo urbano e monumenti dalle origini al III secolo d. C.</i> Tomo 1: Acropoli - Areopago - Tra Acropoli e Pnice. Athens. Ismard, P. (2010), La cité des réseaux. Athènes et ses associations VIe – Ier siècle av. J.-C.. <i>Paris: 257-8.</i> Jones, N. (1999), The associations of classical Athens. A response to democracy. <i>New York, 254-6.</i> Kearns, E. (1989), The heroes of Attica. <i>London.</i> Koerte, A. (1896), 'Die Ausgrabungen am Westenabhang der Akropolis', <i>MDAI(A) 21: 287-332.</i> Mikalson, J. (1998), Religion in Hellenistic Athens. <i>Los Angeles.</i> Rietmüller, J. (2005), Asklepios Heiligtümer und Kulte. <i>Heidelberg.</i> Skaltsa, S. (2016) "'Housing" private associations in Hellenistic Athens: three case-studies for a place to meet and worship the gods', in O. Rodriguez Gutierrez, N. Tran & B. Soler Huertas (eds.), <i>Los espacios de reunion de las asociaciones romanas. Dialogos desde la arqueologia y la historia en homenaje a Bertrand Goffeaux, Sevilla: 79-92.</i> Tracy, S. (2003), Athens and Macedon. Attic letter-cutters of 300 to 229 B.C.. <i>Berkeley.</i> Travlos, J. (1980), Pictorial dictionary of ancient Athens. <i>New York.</i> Wycherley, R. (1970), 'Minor shrines in ancient Athens', <i>Phoenix 24: 283-95.</i>

XIII. EVALUATION

i. Private association

Certain

Note

The association displays all the hallmarks of a private association, distinct name, membership, organization, property and durability.