

CAPInv. 322: hebdomaistai

I. LOCATION

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

II. NAME

i. Full name (original language)	ἑβδομαῖσταί (IG II ³ (4) (1) 639, l. 1)
ii. Full name (transliterated)	<i>hebdomaistai</i>

III. DATE

i. Date(s)	330 - 325 BC
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IV. NAME AND TERMINOLOGY

ii. Name elements	Cultic:	The name of the groups derives from a celebration of Apollo's birthday on the seventh day of the month.
	Other:	Number 7: The name of the groups derives from a celebration of Apollo's birthday on the seventh day of the month.

V. SOURCES

i. Source(s)	IG II ³ (4) (1) 639 (330 - 325 BC)
Note	Ed. pr.: <i>AJA</i> 86 (1982): 229-33. Other ed.: SEG 32: 244. See also: <i>BE</i> 1982: no. 167

Online Resources	SEG 32: 244 IG II³ (4) (1) 639 English translation
i.a. Source type(s)	Epigraphic source(s)
i.b. Document(s) typology & language/script	Fragmentary Greek dedication?
i.c. Physical format(s)	Fragmentary marble votive relief, 0.41x0.335m. Within the architectural frame <i>Pythian</i> Apollo is depicted as seating on an <i>omphalos</i> holding a laurel branch and pouring a libation; at the other end an altar with two smaller figures is depicted.
ii. Source(s) provenance	The provenance of the inscription is unknown. It is considered most likely that it comes from the ancient deme of Ikarion in Athens (Voutiras 1982), now in Detroit Institute of Arts, Collection of Greek and Roman Antiquities, Inv. No. 25.14.

XII. NOTES

iii. Bibliography	Milanezi, S. (2007), 'Les Icariens et le deme des Icariens (IG II ² 1178): A propos de l'identite politique dans un deme attique', in J.-Chr. Couvenhes and S. Milanezi (eds.), <i>Individus, groupes et politique à Athènes de Solon à Mithridate (Actes du colloque international Tours 7 et 8 mars 2005)</i> , Tours: 241-72. Parker, R. (1996), <i>Athenian religion: A history</i> . Oxford: 336. Voutiras, E. (1982), 'A dedication of the <i>Hebdomaistai</i> to the Pythian Apollo', <i>AJA</i> 86: 229-33.
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XIII. EVALUATION

i. Private association	Possible
Note	Voutiras 1982 has argued that this is an annual board of religious officials of Ikarion sacrificing to Apollo on the seventh day of each month. However, the name of the group points to a particularly diffused practice in naming a private association, but still we are lacking further evidence of a structured group.