

Annual Catalina Hike  
October 23, 2002  
Leader, Dick Battin

#### Transportation

Depart from Catalina Landing in Long Beach. Take 710 Freeway south into Long Beach. Stay to the left, follow signs to downtown and exit Golden Shore. Turn right at stop sign; follow around to Catalina Express Terminal on the right. Parking in parking structure on the left.

Check in starts at 7:45 AM. Bring a picture ID. Must be through check in and ready to board at 8:30. Depart for Avalon at 8:45. To return we depart Avalon at 5:45 PM for Catalina Landing. Both crossings are less than 1 hour.

For those of you who are spending the night, luggage restrictions, hotel packages, etc., can be found on [Catalinaexpress.com/public](http://Catalinaexpress.com/public).

Roundtrip cost is \$38 for seniors; however, there is a \$9.50 discount coupon off the regular price of \$42 good for 4 adults in the Entertainment Book 2002. We are gathering extra coupons from friends and will have them at the check in point to hand out as long as they last. Make your own reservation at Catalina Express, 1-800-481-3470.

#### Description

About 10 AM we will proceed to downtown and hike up Avalon Canyon Road 1.2 mile to the Hermit Gulch Trail. At this point one has options to go up Hermit Gulch trail or to proceed to the easier Wrigley Memorial Road trail. Each of the trails is described on the attached map.

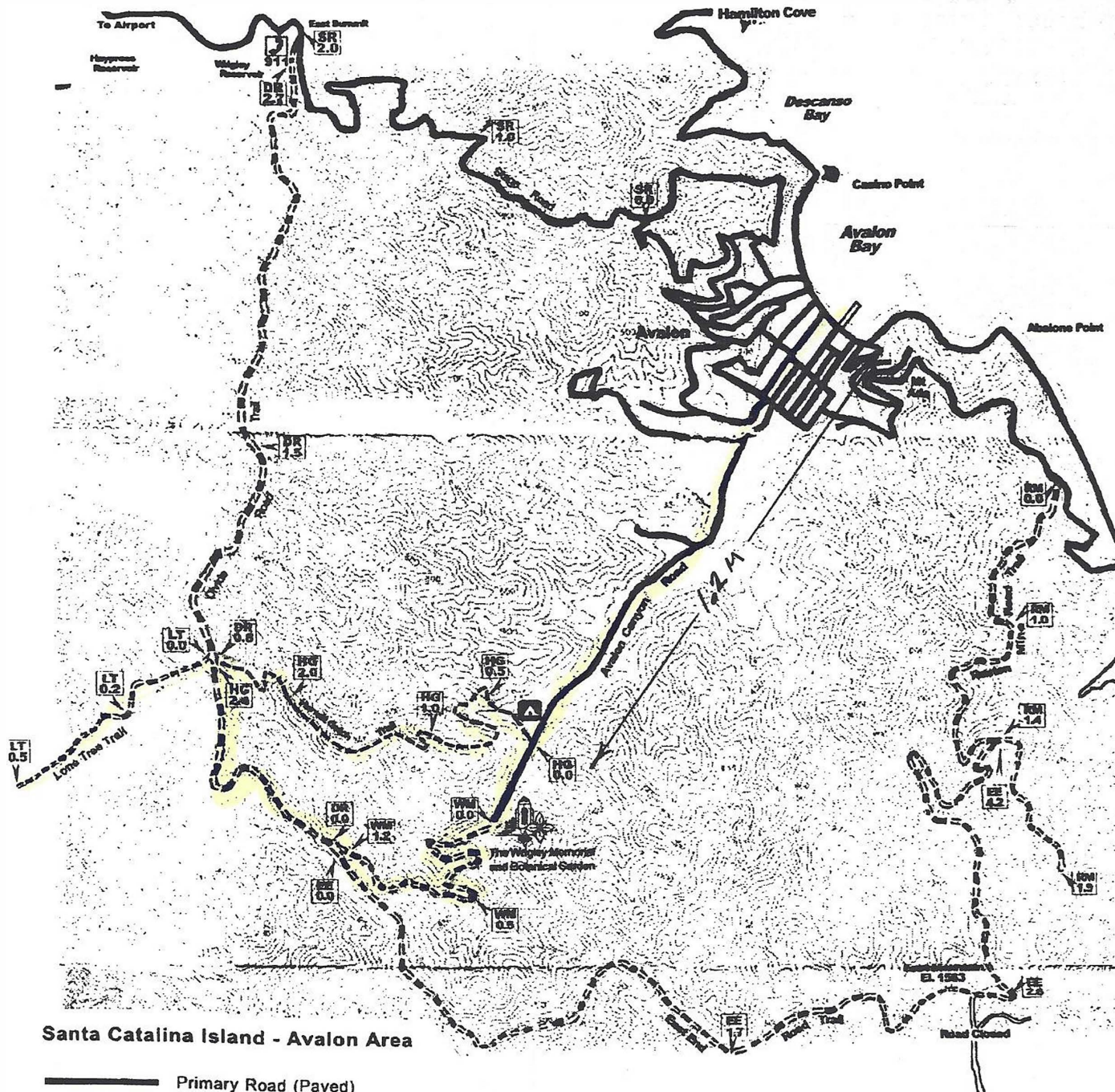
The primary hike is 8.1 miles and 1500 ft. elevation gain plus whatever the elevation gain is of the Lone Tree Trail. We will go up the Hermit Gulch Trail, out the Lone Tree Trail and return, 0.8 mile on the Divide Road and return on the Wrigley Memorial Road and the Avalon Canyon Road.

This is hunting season however no hunting is allowed near the hiking trails and the Catalina Conservancy anticipates no problems with our defined hike.

#### Refreshments

We will gather at the same cantina (the Wooden Indian place) about 3 PM for refreshers.

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**Santa Catalina Island - Avalon Area**

- Primary Road (Paved)
- Primary Road (Dirt)
- Hiking and Jeep Trail
- Hiking Trail
- Jeep Trail (Closed)
- Service Road (Closed to Public)

You may hike all primary roads and designated hiking trails.

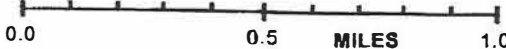
Distances noted are one-way.



- RM - Renton Mine Road
- EE - East End Road
- DR - Divide Road
- LT - Lone Tree Trail
- WM - Wrigley Memorial Road
- HG - Hermit Gulch Trail
- SR - Stage Road

**RM**  
**1.4** - Route Name  
- Mileage

Contour - 50'



**Hermit Gulch Trail**  
Distance: 2.4 miles  
Difficulty: Moderately Strenuous  
This trail begins at the Hermit Gulch Campground and is a steady climb to 1500 feet to the Divide Road Trail.

**Lone Tree Trail**  
Distance: 0.5 miles  
Difficulty: Moderately Strenuous  
This trail leads to a spectacular view point of the Island's Palisades region and beyond to San Clemente Island and the Pacific Ocean. Return to Divide Road Trail on same trail.

**Wrigley Memorial Road Trail**  
Distance: 1.2 miles  
Difficulty: Moderate  
From the Wrigley Memorial and Botanical Garden the trail is a gradual climb to elevation 1000 feet. Toyon trees and Lemonade Berry are abundant. Look also for the Catalina endemic Catalina Live-Forever.