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### About Artificial Reef Structures Ltd.

Founded in the summer of 2005, Artificial Reef Structures Ltd. are the Authorized Contractors for Canada in association with [The Reef Ball Foundation, Inc. Service Projects Division](#). Our Canadian headquarters is located in Victoria, B.C. Canada. We use Reef Balls that are so unique they are Patented and Copyrighted Worldwide. If you are looking to do a Reef Ball project in Canada, you've found the right place as we are the only contractors for all of Canada authorized to use the Reef Ball Mold Systems.

**NEW!** We've also got a [blog](#) to keep you update with all the news regarding our various projects and news of what's happening in our oceans. To [visit our blog, click here](#).

**NEW!** Now you can [help save our oceans](#) by donating to our **Non Profit Organization** at [www.helpsaveouroceans.com](http://www.helpsaveouroceans.com). We are selling ad space by the pixel on this website and all funds will be donated to help establish artificial reefs using our reef balls all over the world! Your ad will be visible for one full year and then archive for years to come! There are 1 million pixels for sale and once all the pixels are filled out, we will then then donate USD \$1,000,000.00 worth of reef balls to those communities that need our help and need our reef balls to help restore their maritime environment. For more info on how you can help save our oceans please [click here now](#).

### QUICK FACT:

Over 500,000 Reef Balls have been deployed in over 3,500 projects worldwide making Reef Balls the most widely used designed artificial reef in the world. On average, each of these Reef Balls produces up to 180 kilograms (400 lbs) of bio-mass (animal or plant life) annually and Reef Balls have an expected life of at least 500 years. Which means... roughly 9 Billion kilograms of biomass will be added to the worlds oceans over the next five centuries as a result of Reef Ball efforts.



(links courtesy of artificialreefs.org)

### What is A Reef Ball?

A reef ball is a special type of artificial reef that is utilized for the Pier on Bevan Project. The plastic moulds were made and donated by Reef Ball Development Ltd, Georgia, USA. The reef balls, made by Artificial Reef Structures, are made of an environmentally friendly concrete formula, and provide a health environment for fish, shell fish, and many other marine animals and plants.

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### What's New:

#### **Our Latest Project: Phase 2 of The Pier on Bevan Project.**

(Picture provided by <http://www-sci.pac.dfo-mpo.gc.ca/protocol/spars/Results/seabottom.htm>)  
 Locally developed technology called SIMS (Seabed Imaging and Mapping System) was used to map the reef area. SIMS uses a high resolution video camera towed behind a boat.



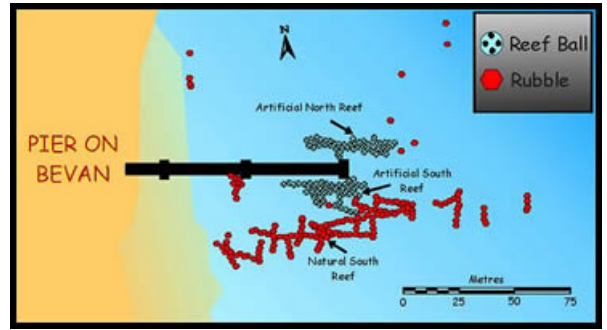
Burt Minter and Troy Hawboldt. Click for larger pic.



This map was produced from a SIMS survey.)

**QUICK FACT:**

When Fisheries and Oceans was approached by Sidney's Pier on Bevan Project, they expanded the mere request for monitoring assistance into a "Coastal Stewardship" program under policies set forth in the new [Oceans Act](#) (passed in the House of Commons in 1997).



In October 2005, an additional 250 reef balls, made by Artificial Reef Structures Inc., were used for the planned expansion of the Reef and The Pier on Bevan Project. The 90m (300') phase I of the 'Pier on Bevan' was constructed in the town of Sidney at the end of Bevan St. from 1992 to 1996. The Pier on Bevan project is a co-operative project by Sidney businesses and residents. In order to enhance recreational activities such as diving and fishing by the pier, 300 Reef Balls were placed to create an artificial reef. By the way... on July 21, 1999, the Pier on Bevan made the news! The Peninsula News Review (Sidney BC) reported on the front page "It's #1 - in the World" (by Judy Reimche) SPARS and the Pier on Bevan project awarded "Best Overall Reef Ball Project in 1998" by the Reef Ball Development Group out of over 300 projects world-wide. If you would like to see whats living on, around, and inside these latest reef balls that were placed in the ocean in October, 2005 [CLICK HERE!](#)



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