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**SUN-SATIONAL**

Royal British Columbia Museum marine biologist Kelly Sedall holds a sunflower sea star aloft while fellow diver Jill Fitz looks on. The dive took place alongside the Pier on Bawm Saturday as part of the Saanich Peninsula Artificial Reef Science project to investigate how local marine life kept house on 270 hollow concrete reefballs placed in the water last fall. Local divers have been donating their time to help scientists monitor the development of reef life, which already includes octopi, crab, shrimp, algae and starfish.

Photo by Alan Rogers

**Help us fight for creeks, Native**

The Tseycum native band is asking North Saanich politicians to join them fight against a federal order to hook up to the out-of-compliance Sidney sewage treatment plant.

Chief Vern Jacks told district council "that the creek which we now share is dead."

He appealed to local politicians to pass a motion to support in principle the band's efforts to continue investigating the viability of rehabilitating Tseycum Creek through a combination of existing stream restoration programs and the use of treated wastewater to augment low flows.

The band has been testing a private treatment plant for several

months and expects to have a report ready in June.

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