



## East Anglian Sailing Trust

East Anglian Sailing Trust (EAST), a registered charity which provides accessible sailing activities for individuals with disabilities and visual impairments, school children and young people with physical and learning disabilities.

Skilled and qualified volunteers deliver sailing tuition and help maintain a fleet of 13 boats. The group has developed strong partnerships with several local organisations, including RYA Sailability, Suffolk Wildlife Trust and Suffolk Sport, mental health teams and many special schools and colleges.

In September 2015, they were awarded £2120 from the Port Community Fund administered by Suffolk Community Foundation which enabled the group to purchase a new mast and sails for a Paralympic Sonar keelboat, enabling more people with additional needs or disabilities to take part in the sport.

“This continued support from The Port Community Fund has enabled EAST to become the RYA Sailability Centre of Excellence for EAST Anglia” Bill Smith. Trustee

Recognising the excellent support EAST provide, Port Community Fund has awarded the group further funds to upgrade and replace old equipment including a Wi-Fi Multiplexer (an audio compass).

