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# Mi AMiGO

## INTERNATIONAL

Europe's Nr.1 Oldies Station - Shortwave 6085 kHz and Online - [www.radiomiamigo.international](http://www.radiomiamigo.international)

## Radio legend returns to the pirates nest

He was program director for two of the UK's most famous offshore radio stations: 'Swinging Radio England' and 'Britain Radio'. Like Rosko: a living legend from 'the Golden Era of Offshore Radio, in fact one of its 'founders'. The biggest names in British 60s pop: Ron knew them all, he even joined the Beatles on their last tour...



After his offshore radio adventure, Ron O'Quinn continued his radio career in his native America, where he worked for big stations in major radio markets such as Miami, Florida.

Ron first joined his fellow former offshore jocks at Radio Mi Amigo International as early as 2015. Now, after a short 2-year sabbatical from radio, Ron returned behind the microphone.

We are happy and proud to welcome him back to the old 'pirate's nest'. Conversely, Ron is thrilled to be heard again in Europe on the station that, like him, is reviving the memory of 'the Golden Era of Offshore Radio' and real 'Free Radio'. Welcome back, Ron O'Quinn!

**Saturday mornings from 10 am to 12 noon and Sundays from 4 to 6 am [CET]**

Visit [www.radiomiamigo.international](http://www.radiomiamigo.international) for up-to-date information and a video recorded on board the radio ship 'Laissez Faire' in which Ron O'Quinn talks about the two stations of which he was program director.



Chief engineer Burkhard with the current 6085 kHz TX. (Left and right: 6005 and 3985 kHz)

## Celebrating five years of Shortwave Broadcasting

**Last Sunday, 31 October**, it was exactly five years ago that Radio Mi Amigo International's shortwave transmitter first came online, broadcasting to Europe and beyond on 6085 kHz in the 49m 'Europa Band', located in a secure bunker deep underground in the German Eifel.

Initially (since 2015), the then still fledgling Radio Mi Amigo International only broadcasted during the weekends, on frequencies 6005, 3985 and 9650 kHz.

But a cozy barbecue in the spring of 2016, which took place right under the antennas of the unique 'Sende Zentrum' in Kall-Krekel, Germany, became the birth of Radio Mi Amigo International as we know it today.

That evening, the station presented itself to the world in a 3-hour live program, not only via the antenna's in Kall, but also with an extra 100 kilowatts of power from a transmitter in Armenia: the 'Shortwave Radio Event of the Year'.

During the broadcast, reactions poured in from all over the world. Soon, plans arose for a dedicated transmitter that would broadcast 7 days a week on 6085 kHz shortwave in the 49-metre band.

Thanks to the great crew of ShortWave Service, on October 31, 2016, our own vintage SK1 Rhode & Schwarz transmitter on 6085 kHz went live. To this day, without any interruption, it is on the air every day, from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. [CET]

Our website contains an extensive video tour of the wonderful Sende Zentrum in Kall, recorded by us on that memorable day when plans for our own station were born, 5 years ago. Highly recommended:

<https://radiomiamigo.international/nederlands/sw-frequencies.html>

## A more 'international feel' for Europe's Nr.1 Oldies Station

None of us would ever have dreamed that our programs would be heard in almost every country in Europe, and even in the America's, Australia or New Zealand. And yet that is what we experience every day...

In those areas, where people grew up without the offshore stations, fans of the music of that period simply know and appreciate us as 'Europe's No.1 Oldies Station'. So there's every reason not to limit ourselves to the small Dutch-speaking part of the world.

With that in mind, we want to manifest ourselves even more internationally this autumn season (when shortwave reception is at its best). Connecting listeners across Europe and beyond, through music. With more music programs presented in English, German, French and also Dutch

The offshore stations and Radio Luxemburg 208 (which we may resemble most as a station) have always known that pop music transcends all borders and cultures. The language of music is universal, we even consider it our native language.

### Music that still sounds great on the radio

Radio Mi Amigo International's music always manages to surprise you. Bringing back memories from that 'golden era', while still sounding great, even 'fresh' on the radio today.

Presented by jocks who pick all music themselves, and as they once did on the radio ships, create their own 'Free Radio' atmosphere and melt it into a beautiful, natural flow like no computer can. It is an art that we hold dear.

All DJs at Radio Mi Amigo International still possess that same special knowledge and experience that made the offshore stations and the music they played so popular in what we now call: 'The Golden Era of Offshore Radio'. It's what sets us apart from all other 'ordinary' oldies stations in the world...



## THE GHOST SHIP STILL SAILING THE RADIO WAVES... ECHOES OF A GLORIOUS RADIO PAST

**Like the mystic ghost ship 'Flying Dutchman', but in the guise of a legendary 'pirate radio ship'...**

Derelict, but still sailing on misty, fading radio waves, with fragments of a distant radio past...

That was the idea when 7 years ago the possibility arose to broadcast on shortwave. AM, 'Free Radio', oldies, the freedom of the sea...

...the kind of radio that only lives on in our memory, but has perished in the waves of time.

The legendary radio ship Mi Amigo, which sank in 1980, is of course the pre-eminent symbol for this. A metaphor, that fits so beautifully with those fading and crackling AM signals from mysterious shortwave stations.

Fragments of that glorious radio past, when pop culture emerged and the foundations of modern pop music were laid with the rise of bands like the Beatles, first played from radio pirate ships in the North Sea.

Many of our DJ's started their career on that mv Mi Amigo, the radio ship of Radio Caroline.

That magical place, where 'Free Radio' originated and where Johnny Walker once spoke his legendary words. "No Man will ever forget August 14th 1967..."

The legendary Mi Amigo, the longest serving radio ship of them all.

*That's why Radio Mi Amigo International is proudly named after "the Old Lady".*

**The heyday of this legendary radio ship, the music it first played, and the essence of 'Free Radio' is what we're trying to revive today.**

*(Not to be confused with the Flemish 70s radio station, which was also named after the ship, but enjoyed popularity mainly in Flanders.)*



## Last chance to order the 2021 Radio Mi Amigo T-Shirt

Summer, fall, spring or winter, you ALWAYS look good in a Radio Mi Amigo International T-Shirt!

Our 2021 edition was a great succes, that's why XL and XXL have now sold out.

But... we still have a few sizes **S, M, L** and **XXXL** shirts left for those who appreciate the fact that this may well be the very last T-Shirts ever featuring the iconic radio ship mv Mi Amigo.

Symbol of 'Free Radio': The legendary Radio Caroline ship from which Radio Mi Amigo broadcasted in the 70s, and after which our station was named.



Go to [the T-Shirts page on our website](#) to see what sizes are still left and order your copy today, it may be your last chance.

## Take Mi Amigo Wherever You Go! With the best radio app - on ALL smartphones

Who wants to pollute their phone with a separate app for each radio station? We certainly don't!

That's why we partner with the best free app that allows you to receive ALL radio stations wherever you are: RadioNED. Optimised for Radio Mi Amigo International.

At home, on the road, in the car or anywhere. Listen to Radio Mi Amigo International with no worries. Free, fast, commercial-free and via any smartphone: iPhone, Androids, Windows Phones and even Blackberries.



We use RadioNED ourselves every day: The best free app for every smartphone. No annoying advertising, just 1 click on the app button and your favourite station (that's us, of course) starts playing!

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