Our annual celebration of Pirate Radio takes place 21st July to 30th July and runs alongside Harwich Lifeboat Week.

PUTTING THE FUN BACK INTO RADIO

Radio Mi Amigo will be bringing you the music of the 3 decades when pirates ships ruled the waves.

Daytime (6am to 6pm) will be a mix of popular 60s, 70s & 80s rock & pop tracks. The overnight music format will be slightly more relaxed, covering many of the album tracks & rarities played by the offshore pirates, including actual original pirate broadcasts, extracts and jingles.

We’re aiming for an upbeat mix of music, with a selection of presenters from Mi Amigo regulars & ex pirate DJ’s, including:

- Alan ‘Neddy’ Turner,
- Neon Nancy,
- Dave Kent,
- Dave Butler,
- Bart Serlie,
- Garry Lee,
- Brendan Day,
- The Reverend Rabbit,
- DJ Nightwing,
- DJ Tim Rice &
- Johnny Dawes. More to be announced.

The BBC & Pharos Trust are pleased to confirm that the LV18 Lightvessel will again be the host for Pirate BBC Essex. The station will run 12th to 14th August 2017 and will mark, on 14th August, the 50th anniversary of the Marine Offences Act which closed most pirate radio stations.

Keith Skues will present his Sunday late show from the LV18, with other Saturday/Sunday shows to be confirmed.

Pirate BBC Essex programmes from 9am - 3pm on Mon 14th live from the LV18 on all frequencies (for the first time!) including presenters Johnnie Walker, Roger Day, Tom Edwards and Norman St John. Other surprise Pirate guests expected!

There will also be a unique link up with Radio Caroline aboard the Ross Revenge during Monday afternoon.

Other activities will include:

- a Pirate Exhibition on Ha’penny Pier open to the public from Sat 12th to Mon 14th August
- The Boat That Rocked film showing at Electric Palace cinema on Sun 13th (evening) introduced by former pirate broadcasters

The Pharos Trust is a registered charity (number 1090325)