

Re: VCR sales

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"NSM" <nowrite@to.me> wrote in message news:<KDzqd.200913\$df2.14663@edtnps89>...

> "Jerry G." <jerryg-consult@NOSPAMca.inter.net> wrote in message

> news:30vj99F33u1tqU1@uni-berlin.de...

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> | I personally don't see much of a future for the small dealer in home

> | electronics repairs.

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> I used to be able to replace the element in a pop-up toaster in under 4

> minutes, start to finish, including testing. But at \$9 retail for a toaster,

> who's going to do even that any more?

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In some ways the advent of DVD has been a bit of a bonus. I find lots of vcrs etc. dumped with often minor problems. Before DVD, when VHS was the main format, people were more reluctant to chuck them out. Now, the minute something happens, it's "lets just ditch it and get a dvd". It's not hard to find some nice bits of kit lying around.

Of course, reselling them is possible but only if you're selling cheap these days. However, since people realise that VHS is on the way out in terms of market dominance, many prefer to buy a cheap used brand name model rather than invest money buying a new one, of what is a dying format. Even though you can buy a new VCR for little money, there are still plenty of people here (students for example) who would rather save even a few quid buying used. That's where I come in.