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Lures - July 7, 2015, 11:49 pm

So I have this laptop that is a few years old and I was watching a movie and fell asleep, I had a glass of milk on the counter that ended up getting spilled all over the keyboard and sat over night. Most keys on the keyboard no longer work and a few tend to stick down but that appears to be the extent of the damage, this was a month ago. Yesterday when I was checking to see if it still worked upon powering it up the monitor went black. Volume and all still worked and I was able to log in despite no monitor, I ended up having to shake the computer a bit and it turned on.

How much longer do you think that it will keep trucking on without me having to crack it open and replace parts?

(neglect at its finest ?)

Freebooter - July 8, 2015, 6:07 am

Make sure cable connected to monitor and graphic card is securely fixed in place also make sure graphic card is securely connected. If problem persist then connect your computer to a different monitor to eliminate monitor malfunctioning or not.

datguy.dev - July 8, 2015, 11:11 am

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I see.... ???