

# Funding the Future

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There are days when the odds appear to be stacked against you.

Just after posting this morning's video, and the post on electricity, I touched the mouse on my MacBook Pro and got absolutely no response. Seconds later the machine crashed. When it rebooted it refused to connect to the Internet. Further reboots made no difference. It has said that it has a problem with macOS, and I know what happens next. After I have done a complete new backup (or two) I factory reset the machine, which is what Apple would do, and see if that solves the problem. Then there is the tedium of having to restore the whole thing which, if it works well, is relatively routine, but I've never had it work perfectly to date.

And if things do not work well, I will be off to Apple to hand it in for repair again, and will be forced to buy a backup machine. We used to run one of these, but it got passed to James when he joined the team, and so there is none available now.

I have to admit that there have been occasions over the last two years, which is the period during which we have been running the YouTube channel, when I have felt that we have been operating largely for the benefit of Apple, and occasionally Sony, such has been the cash outflow in their direction.

If service is a little disrupted today, it is because I will be working on an iPad, which is a useful backup machine, but nothing like as good as a MacBook Pro.