

mesg Broke on Stable between 8/21 and 8/28

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When I replaced a STABLE build from 8/21 with one from 8/29, "mesg" stopped working on xterms.

I treat each xterm as a login shell, and include "mesg n" in .login. The problem seems to be that ownership of /dev/tty? is not being transferred to the user anymore. I remember that "options UCONSOLE" was involved in the transfer of ownership. That configuration element was in both the 8/21 and 8/28 kernels; nothing was changed in the config file.

I checked the mailing list archives, and there does seem to be some recent action in the tty driver area. Unfortunately, we were compromised recently, and I'm only now getting my connections to e-mail lists (including this one) re-established, so my knowledge of recent list traffic is limited to what I can find on the web site.

Does anyone have any idea what has caused the change?

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