

Re: A little story of failed raid5 (3ware 8000 series)

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On Tue, 21 Aug 2007 08:57:22 +0400
"Artem Kuchin" <matrix@xxxxxxxxxxxxx> wrote:

Um.. it is because i did not have a map of hot swap baskets to
controller ports and i needed to check every driver basket to
understand which port it sits on. I have no choice, i think.

I'm just going to highlight the importance of knowing which
physical disk is which on your system.

About a year ago I had to replace a hot-swappable disk from an
array, but then realised I had no idea which physical disk it
was as the map of the disks was rather helpfully **inside** the
case. Due to the physical setup, I had no way of removing the
cover without first powering down the server – which defeated
the whole point of paying extra for hot-swap disks.

So yeah, be sure to label your disk bays, but be sure to put
those labels somewhere **useful**.

–fr.

Useful like on the front of the drive bays ;–)

The Areca cards have a nice function called drive identify that lights up the selected drive's LED. I think the
3ware cards have it too.

–Clay

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