

Re: Ultra 30 noise

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dol@ce.chalmers.se (Fredrik Lundholm) wrote in message news:<be9q77\$od\$1@eol.dd.chalmers.se>...
> *In article <slrnbggoup.gg.paul@avon.douglasfamily.au.com>,
> Paul Douglas <paul@avon.douglasfamily.au.com> wrote:
> >I know there's been a fair bit of comment on this in the past so apologies
> >for raking over old ground. Usual story: I have a U30, it's quite noisy,
> >and it gets on my nerves a bit.
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> The most noisy parts in my two reconditioned U30:s were the hard drive,
> you should really replace those awful 4 or 9GB screamers with say a
> recent silent 36 or 18 Gigger.*

Agree with Fredrik; at a previous job we had a large group of extremely noisy U30's and U60's. After playing around with the one or two that were **not** noisy, it was clear that the culprit in our case was a run of very, very noisy 9GB Seagate drives. Amazingly noisy. Sun declined to replace them under warranty solely for noise complaints, and refused in general to acknowledge there was a noise problem. Several of these drives suffered mysterious sudden severe failures. :-) At the time, you had about a 50% chance of the replacement drive being quiet.

Other users coped by erecting small walls of open-cell packing foam in front of the machines (good high-frequency attenuation).

-Jay-