

Re: RAID1

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Thanks for the advice!

Matt

"Hank Arnold" <rasilon@xxxxxxxx> wrote in message
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I agree 10,000%!!!

When I started supporting the Hospice I work at, the "expert" consultant they had added 2 drives to an existing server and decided to create a software RAID array. Not really knowing what it meant at the time, I said "sure.". 1 1/2 years later one drive failed and (you guessed it) the entire array was unrecoverable (at least by these idiots). Fortunately, we *did* have a tape backup. Unfortunately, it was a slow, piece of crap tape backup system (since replaced with a new one) and we spent about 10 hours re-building and restoring the data.

Spend the money and get hardware RAID. Forget software RAID.....

Regards,
Hank Arnold

John Harris wrote:

Think very carefully about not wanting to spend the money. I am currently assisting a client with software RAID where one disk has physically failed. He now cannot boot the server at all and he has 5 years of programming data that he cannot access. worse still, his backup has not been working for over a year but he has been changing the tapes every day!

Hardware RAID would not suffer this problem unless the controller itself failed (very rare)

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