

Re: Serious SBS 2003 crisis and my wife has left me

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Definitely get a quality hardware RAID setup here.

"vfclists" <vfclists@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx> wrote in message
news:1194651901.314716.119260@xx
On Nov 9, 9:55 pm, vfclists <vfcli...@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx> wrote:

I have truly a serious problem with my SBS 2003 system, but the wife bit I made up.

1. One hard drive is gone. The system has two 80Gb hard disks. C: is the main 12Gb OS partition and E: is the remainder of the one with the C: and contains all the data. D: is the 2nd hard disk and it is gone. It is not showing up at all.

When I noticed the D drive was not showing up I decided not to restart the server until I could backup the data.

One user began to experience problems which I thought were a print spooler problem that showed up previously earlier on his account, and that is what led me to investigate further leading to this sequence of steps.

Another symptom is that trying to select an area in Excel and convert it to bold doesn't work, and it makes me wonder if it is some kind of virus problem as well.

One more symptom was the repeated message in the server logs that

"The oldest shadow copy of volume C: was deleted to keep disk space usage for shadow copies of volume C: below the user defined limit."

"The Microsoft Software Shadow Copy Provider service entered the stopped state."

The upshot was that I tried to restart some services and they all worked well except the Workstation service which is hung. It can neither be stopped nor restarted and all account which were logged off

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before can't log on now. Even though I am logged on to the server via Remote Desktop on a regular user account, I can't browse the network neighbourhood. I dare not close this console as I suspect I will not be able to log on again on the server itself.

I think restarting the server will get the Workstation service restarted, but I worry that there could be something more wrong. Like some file corruption.

A sample of the problems I faced are listed below, but I think they are due to the problem with the Workstation service.

I have backed up the C: drive and the System State as I am typing