
Subject: Learned the hard way
Posted by [djlaptop](#) on Mon, 11 Aug 2008 15:51:50 GMT
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I've been building my own PC for years. Out of all the computers I've built, I've never done the "trendy" thing and put a light inside the case. But this time, the particular case that I liked had a window, and I figured, "Why not? I'll spend the \$10 for a cathode light ftw."

I was so proud of my baby:

Then, last week I discovered the biggest reason not to put a light in your case.

I left my computer running unattended for about 3 days while I handled real-world stuff.

When I returned it was making a terrible screeching noise.

Upon closer inspection, it was filled with... BUGS! Yes, all sorts of flying insects were attracted by the light and several had become victims of the various fans inside.

Can you say FAIL?

Subject: Re: Learned the hard way
Posted by [u6795](#) on Mon, 11 Aug 2008 15:54:34 GMT
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Got any pictures of the bug massacre?

Hey, at least you learned something.

Subject: Re: Learned the hard way
Posted by [djlaptop](#) on Mon, 11 Aug 2008 15:56:53 GMT
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No sadly. My camera was at my other house.

Subject: Re: Learned the hard way
Posted by [Ryu](#) on Mon, 11 Aug 2008 16:19:11 GMT
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Haha, Teaches them bugs not to fuck with your new pc.

Subject: Re: Learned the hard way
Posted by [CarrierII](#) on Mon, 11 Aug 2008 16:25:33 GMT
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OMG, my brother's room is crawling with bugs to start with (they somehow get in :s) - I should so put a cathode in his PC...

Lol!

Subject: Re: Learned the hard way
Posted by [Nukelt15](#) on Mon, 11 Aug 2008 16:34:42 GMT
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That's a problem easily solved... mount a bug zapper light near but not next to your computer. As an added benefit, you can watch the lousy insects fry during loading screens.

Or, y'know, never leave your computer on when you're not using it.

Subject: Re: Learned the hard way
Posted by [IronWarrior](#) on Mon, 11 Aug 2008 16:59:43 GMT
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First I like to say this.

OWNED.

Second, close the windows, you don't want to be breathing fresh air, that is silly!

Subject: Re: Learned the hard way
Posted by [mr£Ä\\$Ä-z](#) on Mon, 11 Aug 2008 17:07:43 GMT
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If its at night close your windows/doors at your room, its same for normal lamps etc. and you didnt failed.

Subject: Re: Learned the hard way
Posted by [JoeBro](#) on Mon, 11 Aug 2008 18:01:28 GMT
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u6795 wrote on Mon, 11 August 2008 11:54Got any pictures of the bug massacre?

Hey, at least you learned something.

lol you're funny. i wish i could see it. it's probably almost like the Holocaust, only bugs instead

Subject: Re: Learned the hard way
Posted by [cmatt42](#) on Mon, 11 Aug 2008 18:02:23 GMT
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You had filters installed too, right?

Subject: Re: Learned the hard way
Posted by [Aircraftkiller](#) on Mon, 11 Aug 2008 22:09:14 GMT
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DJ! OMFG! I haven't seen you in years! What's good dude?

Subject: Re: Learned the hard way
Posted by [trooprm02](#) on Tue, 12 Aug 2008 00:27:36 GMT
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haha, ive had blue neon's cathodes in my systems for years now, not a single problem But um, how did they get in? My system only has grills and stuff just big enough to allow airflow on both sides and the back, no way for any bugs to get in (strong current too lol).

Subject: Re: Learned the hard way
Posted by [liquidv2](#) on Tue, 12 Aug 2008 06:39:03 GMT
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your lights is bad

someone had to say it ^^

Subject: Re: Learned the hard way
Posted by [JPNOD](#) on Tue, 12 Aug 2008 07:19:51 GMT
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Is that FB-DIMM that I see there? Other then that Nice comp.

edit: Ile take thats DDR3

BTW is that Raid 5 array software or hw raid and how is the read/write performance with HD tune if I may ask

Subject: Re: Learned the hard way
Posted by [Jonty](#) on Tue, 12 Aug 2008 07:45:50 GMT
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Bugs and things get in through places you'd never normally notice! Fortunately there aren't many bugs in the UK but I've discovered various spider webs and things inside PCs in the past.

Subject: Re: Learned the hard way
Posted by [GEORGE ZIMMER](#) on Tue, 12 Aug 2008 07:56:59 GMT
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Subject: Re: Learned the hard way
Posted by [StealthEye](#) on Tue, 12 Aug 2008 14:41:18 GMT
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Being attracted to light is probably the most serious bug those bugs have. Evolution should really focus on getting it fixed.

Subject: Re: Learned the hard way
Posted by [djlaptop](#) on Tue, 12 Aug 2008 20:10:35 GMT
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Nukelt15 wrote on Mon, 11 August 2008 09:34
Or, y'know, never leave your computer on when you're not using it.

Not an option - It's running a fileserver for the house and media server for all the TVs.

madrackz wrote on Mon, 11 August 2008 10:07If its at night close your windows/doors at your room, its same for normal lamps etc. and you didnt failed.

Southern California with no A/C means windows and doors must be left open. Somehow the bugs get indoors even when they're closed though. BUGS = WIN.

cmatt42 wrote on Mon, 11 August 2008 11:02You had filters installed too, right?

Filters installed on the fans, but there are all kinds of little holes on the back of the case that a bug

can squeeze through if they put their little mind to it.

Aircraftkiller wrote on Mon, 11 August 2008 15:09DJ! OMFG! I haven't seen you in years! What's good dude?

What's up ACK? Nice to see you're still around here!

JPNOD wrote on Tue, 12 August 2008 00:19 Ile take thats DDR3

BTW is that Raid 5 array software or hw raid and how is the read/write performance with HD tune if I may ask

Yeah, DDR3... Haven't actually tested the HD performance, but I'll do that. The reason for the Raid 5 is for capacity + a small amount of redundancy... If I wanted performance I'd get a drive based on flash memory!

So for the quick update, I've disconnected the cathode light and now it's not a problem anymore. Now they just flock to my glowing mouse pad.

Subject: Re: Learned the hard way
Posted by [luv2pb](#) on Tue, 12 Aug 2008 23:19:29 GMT
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I have multiple ones in my pc and have never had a problem like that. You keep your pc in the jungle or some shit?

Subject: Re: Learned the hard way
Posted by [liquidv2](#) on Wed, 13 Aug 2008 04:14:39 GMT
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Cabal8616 wrote on Tue, 12 August 2008 02:56GODDAMN WINDOWS AND ITS BUGS
LOL