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I worked for Steve Hinton (and Jim Maloney) at Fighter Rebuilders from 1982 thru 1988. For about 9 mo to a year Alan Wojciak and myself would meet at 5am in front of Fighter Rebuilders at Chino airport and drive into Sun Valley to work on Tsunami. We worked with Ray Poe and Tom Emery, both very talented and a couple of great guys to work with. I built the fuselage Fuel Tanks and ADI Tanks. We did a lot of the finish work, floor panels, inspection panels, elevators,skins, etc. I build the original gear doors but I think that they were changed out latter, don't really know. When the aircraft came to Chino we did a lot of the assembly and finish work. It was a great project to be involved with and one of the highlights of my Career. As far as racing ,at the time I was crewing on the Super Corsair Team so we did support work for the Tsunami, but I was never an actual crew member of the Tsunami Team. I was present at Wendover for the Speed Record Attempt but had left the day of the accident, before it happened. I wish you all the best with your venture, and look forward to seeing Tsunami back in all of its glory.

After leaving Fighter Rebuilders I started my own business at Chino airport which I operated for 20 years up thru 2008. Currently I work for Westpac Restorations in Colorado Springs doing Metal Shaping and Sheet Metal Fabrication.