

Coles: A solid player

Janet Coles has proved this season that it's better late than never.

After missing the first four tournaments of the season, Coles played in the next 10, through the first week in May, and had only one finish out of the top 20. She is 15th on the money-winning list with more than \$28,000.



Janet Coles Although winning only one tournament, the 1978 Lady Tara Natural Light Classic, since turning pro in 1977, Coles has emerged as a solid player. She gradually increased her earnings each year from 1977-1979 before making a

big splash by winning more than \$58,000 in 1980 and finishing 17th on the money list. Although her earnings fell to \$47,500 last year, and her ranking on the money list to 29th, she still had seven top-10 finishes, including a tie for third in the Whirlpool Championship.

Coles has more interests than just golf. She earned a BS in Kinesiology from UCLA in 1972. She is a fine all-around athlete, having played on the UCLA women's basketball team.

Coles, a 27-year-old Carmel, Calif. native and resident, likes downhill and cross-country skiing, plus sailing and running. She runs 3-5 miles a day, a habit she feels keeps her mentally and physically fit and also gives her time to herself.