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It wasn't just any old strip of grass the 27-year-old from the Canterbury town of Irwell prepared with her team for the game last July.

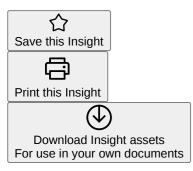
It was the pitch for the first Ashes T20 international between England and Australia women at Edgbaston, if you don't mind.

Since then, Lay's star has continued to rise.

She put herself on the map when she joined Gloucestershire County Cricket Club's (GCCC) groundstaff in 2022 – when it was still extremely rare to see a woman in the profession.

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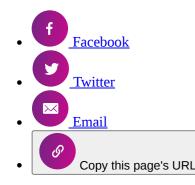


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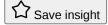
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