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## Dennis Dauda

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Dauda holding his award

Born

Residence

Dennis Dauda

[Kwekwe](#), Zimbabwe

[Kariba](#), [Zimbabwe](#).

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## Occupation

- Footballer

**Dennis Dauda** is a Zimbabwean footballer who was formerly with ZPC Kariba during the 2014 season but signed for Harare City Football Club during the 2015 pre season. He made his entrance into the top flight league with the club during the start of the 2014 season. The team had an outstanding season that same year in which they ran neck to neck with [Dynamos Football Club](#) only to lose the title on the final of the league when they needed just a draw to clinch the title. Dauda's defensive brilliance throughout the season had played a critical in ZPC Kariba's fairytale run in the premier league.

## Background

Dennis was born in 1988 in Kwekwe<sup>[1]</sup>

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## Football career

Prior to joining ZPC Kariba, Dauda had been playing for DSTV in Division one for an estimated period of the three years. It is said that Dauda had always been an outstanding defender such that he deserved to be playing in the premier league. His move to ZC Kariba was orchestrated by Saul Chaminuka who was reported to have been chasing Dauda for three years with the intention of signing him but without any luck.<sup>[2]</sup> During the maiden season of Dauda and ZPC Kariba in the top flight league, Dauda made some very outstanding performances throughout the season playing a decisive role as team captain in the team's fine run during the 2014 season. With Dauda at the heart of defence, ZPC Kariba managed to prevent other teams from scoring and at one point they recorded four clean sheets from seven games. The ZPC kariba centre half has been described as very composed, tough and very good in the air which gives him an advantage over other players.<sup>[2]</sup> After a failed trial stint in Europe, Dauda dumped ZPC Kariba and went on to join Harare City Football Club.<sup>[3]</sup>

He joined [CAPS United Football Club](#) and played a pivotal role that saw them clinching the [Premier Soccer League](#) in 2016. He was consequently named vice captain by coach, [Lloyd Chitembwe](#), deputizing [Hardlife Zvirekwi](#), for the 2017 season. However, Dauda joined [Yadah FC](#) on June 29, 2017 barely 48 hours after CAPS United suffered a shock 2-0 premier league defeat to Yadah FC at Morris Depot. A day before the match Dauda had posted on Facebook. In the controversial Facebook post hours before the defeat where he appeared to admire and hinted at impressing Prophet [Walter Magaya](#), who is [Prophetic Healing and Deliverance Ministries](#) (PHD) founder and also the owner of Yadah FC.<sup>[4]</sup>

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## Soccer Star of the Year for 2014



From left, 2nd runner up Limited Chikafa, Soccer Star, Dennis Dauda, 1st runner up Tendai Hove and Coach of the year Saul Chaminuka, all of ZPC Kariba

Having enjoyed a fine run in the premier league save for the final day drama in which Dauda and company lost the title to Dynamos after being beaten by Caps United, Dauda was however named the soccer star of the year. This was in recognition of the role that he had played for his team in defence. In a clear acknowledgement of the outstanding season that Dauda and team mates had enjoyed in their maiden season in th premier league, Dauda was named soccer star of the year while fellow team mates Tendai Hove and Limited Chikafa were named first and second runners up respectively.<sup>[5]</sup> Dauda became the first defender in twelve years to be named soccer star of the year after Dazzy Kapenya of [Highlanders Football Club](#)<sup>[6]</sup> After having named the best faller of the season, Dauda walked walked away with usd 6000.<sup>[7]</sup> Dauda and fellow teammates Limited Chikafa and Limited Chikafa plus their coach Saul Chaminuka carved their own piece of history by becoming the only players from the same team to be named as the top three footballers in a calender season and also having their coach landing the coach of the year award.<sup>[8]</sup>

## Speculation Over Dauda's Football Career

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There was much speculation at the end of the 2014 soccer season whether Dauda would pen another contract with ZPC Kariba since his contract was also expiring at the end of the 2014 soccer season. It was rumored that Dauda and fellow teammate Limited Chikafa were being targeted by Dynamos and Highlanders. Commenting on his future, Dauda was quoted as having said

*My contract expires at the end of the year, I might move to another club if I get a good offer, I am in talks to renew my contract at the moment*<sup>[1]</sup>

## Accolades and Acievements

- 2014 soccer star of the year

## Trials in Europe

In early 2015 Dauda was reported to have gone for trials with an Azerbaijan Club known as Cabala. The club was looking for a good central midfielder and they would continue to look at Dauda closely to see if he would make the standard they were looking for.<sup>[9]</sup> ZPC Kariba however claimed that they were surprised that Dauda had been undergoing trials in Europe as they had not sanctioned the move.<sup>[10]</sup>

## Trivia

Dauda is the only defender in twelve years since Dazzy Kapenya of Highlanders to be named soccer star of the year

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